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Lord's Acre Plan Revives Churches

A real though unspectacular revival of religion in 4000 to 5000 country churches in the United States which have adopted the Lord's Acre plan is reported by Herbert Ravenel Sass in "Lord's Auction," in this week's (Nov. 20th) Saturday Evening Post.

The Post article tells the story of how Thanksgiving Church, in Johnston County, North Carolina, nine miles from the nearest town, adopted the Lord's Acre plan. In the autumn, the church holds its annual Harvest Day and Lord's Auction. Farmers and their families put aside the best that they produce in crops, livestock and handicrafts "for the Lord." Cakes, quilts, cotton, turkeys, sweet potatoes, corn, calves, pigs and steers are auctioned at prices that their superior quality warrants, slightly higher than market prices. The money received enables the church to go forward with its work.

Annual Budget Increased from \$400 to \$4,000

"Fifteen years ago, Thanksgiving Church, with an annual budget of \$400, was in so feeble a condition that only aid from the state mission board kept it alive," Mr. Sass reports. "Today, as a direct result of the Lord's Auction held each year, the church is in excellent condition financially, with an annual budget of more than \$4,000, a new and convenient building and a building-fund reserve of more than \$8000 in bonds..."

(Editor's Note: Just to keep the records straight, the Baptist Record editor was born and reared in Johnston county.)

Farmer's Work Linked With Deity
"Observers say that the Lord's Acre Auction plan takes the farmer's work the

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Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar
Religious News Service Correspondent
'SACRED COW'

The White House has been receiving so much protest mail intermittently about calling the President's personal plane the "Sacred Cow" that Charles Ross, White House press secretary, has gone out of his way to try to get the real story of the plane's name before the people.

Actually, Ross explained to newsmen here, the Presidential plane has no name. "Sacred Cow" is only "an unauthorized nickname," he emphasized.

A code was responsible for use of the term, "Sacred Cow" to describe the Presidential plane. It happened back in 1945, when the late President Roosevelt used the plane in connection with his Yalta conference trip. He asked an officer how the ship was referred to in secret messages and was told the code words were "The Sacred Cow."

The words became the nickname of the plane, but the name is not—and never has been—official. News—(Continued on Page Two)

THE COUNTRY CHURCH—ITS UNCHANGED MISSION IN A CHANGING WORLD

At the recent Pastors and Laymen's Conference the address of Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, professor of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, gained much attention. Lack of space prevented more than passing comment at the time it was delivered and we are privileged to present, herewith, the condensation of Dr. Dobbins' talk on "The Country Church—Its Unchanged Mission in a Changing World".

At the beginning the seminary professor pointed out "that while every age is an age of change, ours is an era of unprecedented rapidity of change. The war, with its upsets, has affected rural life even more than life in the cities, the farms of the United States having lost 20% of their population within the past five years, a total of approximately ten million persons having moved from country to urban centers".

"Of deeper significance than their physical upsets", Dr. Dobbins continued, "has been the changed philosophy of life found among many country people, along with their city neighbors. Old ideals of neighborliness, contentment, and sacrifice for the common good have been replaced by a deadening materialism, according to which the motto of many has become 'let him get who may and keep who can'. Out of this world of change is emerging a new economy of plenty, holding out to the underprivileged and poverty-stricken farmers of the old south the vision of enough and to spare for every family. In the crises through which the world and the nation are passing, the people of the rural south, of which Mississippi farm families are among the best representatives, are still the sanest, soundest and most unselfish group in modern society."

"The changes which rural communities are undergoing", Dr. Dobbins explained, "have brought new pressures on the country church. All living things, respond to the pressure of changed environmental conditions by

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Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and a member of the American Society for Russian Relief delegation which toured the Soviet Union inspecting the uses of relief supplies, presenting a Baptist new clothing kit at a children's camp in Minsk. The National Interfaith Committee for Russian Relief is endeavoring to supply 100,000 such kits to orphans in the Soviet Union.

Statement Of Baptist Principles

(Editor's Note: This statement of Principles was prepared by a special committee who were appointed to report at the centennial session of the Southern Baptist Convention. Because the Convention did not meet in 1945, the statement was read by Dr. Ellis A. Fuller to the Convention in session at Miami in May. This is one of the finest statements that we have read anywhere and we commend it to our readers, suggesting that they clip it for future reference and use.)

Preamble

From time to time through all our modern history, Baptists have declared their principles which define their meaning and mission in relation to the gospel and in relation to the world. Surely, now when the world is writhing in terrific crisis we are under obligation to restate our principles, to make clear that our faith is

good news for all mankind. It is with this sense of obligation and with this purpose that the Southern Baptist Convention, at its Centennial meeting, undertakes to state afresh the basic principles that we must proclaim to the whole world in our day.

Principles

Our distinctive belief is our Doctrine of Man in the personal order of life, that is, what God says concerning man.

(1.) God places infinite and eternal value on the individual man and makes him the focal unit in all His dealings with mankind.

(2.) Every man is endowed by the Creator with competence as a person

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Baptist Alliance Program Released By Dr. Rushbrooke

According to the president, Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, the seventh Baptist World Alliance Congress will convene in Copenhagen, Denmark on July 29, 1947. Dr. Rushbrooke states that ample hotel accommodations are available but advises that early notice be given. The tentative program follows:

PROVISIONAL OUTLINE PROGRAM SEVENTH BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE CONGRESS

Copenhagen, Denmark

July 29th-August 3rd 1947

General Theme — THE WORLD RESPONSIBILITY OF BAPTISTS
Tuesday, July 29th (afternoon and evening)

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL;

Addresses by the Prime Min-

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SO MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR

The Baptist Record Every Family Plan Helps Reach The Unenlisted

**BAPTIST ALLIANCE PROGRAM
RELEASED BY DR. RUSHBROOKE**
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ister, Mayor of the City, Bishop of Copenhagen, and Danish Baptists. Responses by President and Vice-President. Roll Call of sixty nations.

Wednesday, July 30th

- (a) Morning; Presidential Address (Dr. Rushbrooke); Reports of Committees, etc.
- (b) Afternoon, Sectional Meetings (i) Young People's Conference of Foreign Missionaries and members of Mission Boards (iii) Conference on Baptist History.
- (c) Evening; "Hindrances to World Evangelization." Addresses on "The Scientific Outlook," "The Appeal of Communism," and "The Alleged Equal Value of All Religions."

Thursday, July 31st

- (a) Morning; Report of General Secretary (Dr. W. O. Lewis); Report of Special Commission on Functions, Responsibilities and Relations of the Alliance.
- (b) Afternoon, Sectional Meetings. (i) Laymen's Conference; (ii) Women's Conference (iii) Conference of Chaplains and Ex-Chaplains (iv) Conference of Theological Students.
- (c) Evening, Addresses on "The Color Bar in the Light of the New Testament," "United Nations from the Christian Standpoint," and "The Baptist Contribution to World Peace."

Friday, August 1st

- (a) Morning; Baptist Relief and Reconstruction; Survey of conditions and report of action.
- (b) Congress Sermon Afternoon, Language-group Meetings (i) English-speaking, led by the Rev. Henry Cook (ii) German-speaking, led by Preacher J. Meister (iii) Scandinavian, led by Dr. H. Danielson (iv) Latin, led by Pasteur Henri Vincent (v) Slav, led by Dr. H. Prochazka (vi) Oriental—a regional rather than a language grouping—led by Dr. T. C. Bau.
- (c) Evening, Misionary Problems and Tasks.

Saturday, August 2nd

- (a) Morning; Education, Discussion by speakers from various lands including Professor P. Gunnar Westin.
- (b) Afternoon; Business.
- (c) Evening; Sacred Concert, by Danish singers, with inspirational address or addresses.

Sunday, August 3rd

- (a) Morning, Worship in the churches with members of Congress preaching. A special English service in one of the larger Lutheran churches.
- (b) Afternoon, Procession to Park. Open Air Missionary Demonstration, with three platforms, each with speakers representing all Continents. Choirs and bands.
- (c) Evening, Twelfth Session.

**STATEMENT OF BAPTIST
PRINCIPALS**
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to deal with God and with his fellowmen in all rightful relations.

(3.) God gives to the individual man natural, inalienable rights and privileges which should be recognized in human society. These rights should not be violated by compulsion or by undue constraint or restraint so as in any way to interfere with the individual's free functioning as a unit in all relations.

(4.) Man consequently has supreme and compelling responsibility under God for the full realization of his possibilities as a human being, for seeking and receiving fellowship with God, and for fulfilling the purposes of God in all human relations. To the end of this divine economy for humanity, God has provided in the gospel of Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit for the renewal of the individual soul by regeneration and for its response through the grace of God to the divine ideal.

Out of this doctrine of the individual grows the Baptist conviction concerning all aspects of religious experience and life.

First, this religious experience of regeneration and conversion is the beginning of the Christian life and is prerequisite to church membership.

Second, the local church, a voluntary fellowship of baptized believers, is responsible directly and only to Christ, the Creator and Head of the church. It is a democratic body in which all the members are equally free and responsible participants. Its divinely called ministry is chosen by the church itself under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Third, the one and only authority in faith and practice is the New Testament as the divinely inspired record and interpretation of the supreme revelation of God through Jesus Christ as Redeemer, Saviour and Lord.

Fourth, this basic belief demands the separation of church and state. Each must be left free to serve in its own divinely appointed sphere for the welfare of mankind; but neither undertaking to control the other or to be supported as such by the other.

Great closing demonstration, with addresses on "The Call of the Congress."

October—

- (1) Student Join-the-Church Day (Sunday following college opening).
- (2) Layman's Day, October 12.
- (3) State Mission Day in Sunday School and Offering, Oct. 26.
- (4) Sunday School Training Courses.

November—

- (1) Every-Member Canvass.
- (2) Church Schools of Missions and Stewardship.
- (3) State Papers and Missionary Magazines.
- (4) R. A. Focus Week, November 9-15.
- (5) Orphanage Day and Offering.

December—

- (1) Foreign Missions.
- (2) W. M. U. Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offerings, December 1-5.
- (3) Southwide Simultaneous Associational Training Union Meetings, December 5.
- (4) Every-Member Canvass (completed).
- (5) Student Night at Christmas, December 28.

Fifth, the comprehensive statement of all these doctrines is contained in our insistence upon religious liberty. By this we mean, and must mean, not only freedom of individual worship and fellowship without interference by the state; but we mean also specifically and insistently the right of propaganda through evangelism, education, and the development of Christian institutions. This we claim not as for ourselves, but for all men of all religious beliefs and of all theories of social order which are not obviously immoral or detrimental to the common welfare of men; and we demand this not as a concession or toleration, but as a basic right under God.

Fields of Application

These basic principles find the spheres of their operation in all the principal concerns of humanity. The Christian movement is not isolated from the common concerns and life of mankind, but as a declarative, prophetic movement charged with a gospel for men in all relations, is a leavening and instructing agency in the midst of society for the good of the human race and the glory of God in the coming of His Kingdom.

(1.) To this comprehensive end, Christians are under obligation to seek for true Christian unity in experience and spiritual fellowship; and for the voluntary cooperation of all Christian believers in the total work for which the gospel is designed. This cooperation should not issue in any ecclesiastical overlordship of the individually redeemed or their churches.

(2.) Recognizing the divine sovereignty over all the people of the world, we must do all possible to prevent the organization of the world on the principles of materialism, selfish nationalism, arrogant imperialism and power politics; but rather insist upon the principles of the oneness of humanity, the rights of all men alike under God, and the Christian ideals of brotherhood, justice and truth, remembering that God's supreme word for the organized life of humanity is righteousness.

(3.) To this end it is necessary to resist all inequalities of basic rights and privileges in the church and in society, which arise out of racial prides and prejudices, economic greed, and class distinctions; everywhere proclaiming and practicing human brotherhood under the will and purpose of God.

(4.) Our Christian faith repudiates and opposes all forms of exploitation, manipulation or neglect and indifference on the part of any section of our human race by any other section on any and every pretext whatsoever. The Christian religion lies at the base of all. In it alone is there hope of the application of these principles in other relations of men.

It is especially urgent therefore, at this time, that these principles should be recognized when we are face to face with the necessity for the reconstruction, the rehabilitation and the reorientation of the lives of all peoples and the corporate life of humanity. Upon the Christian forces lies the responsibility for introducing now the gospel, the purpose and the power of God unto salvation for all men.

There can be a Christian order only as it is constituted of and by genuine Christians. Neither the world nor any part of the world can be organized and conducted on Christian principles except as there are Christians incor-

**Hebron Goes To
Full Time Work**

Extraordinary progress has marked the work at Hebron church, Lena, Miss., in recent months. Under the leadership of Pastor Elton Moore, the church has voted to go to full time. The church has advanced rapidly from quarter time. The people have a vision of the work, and have arranged for buses to bring people to services in the day time and at night. The Training Union recently marked a record of 106 present.

Offerings have increased 500 per cent. Butane gas has been installed, assuring a comfortable winter for church goers.

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WASHINGTON REVIEW

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men can be blamed for this White House worry.

BIBLE INVITATION DECLINED

It's never been made public, but President Truman turned down a request of the American Bible Society that he speak on behalf of Bible reading on a nation-wide hookup Thanksgiving Eve, and that he also included a statement of encouragement to World-wide Bible reading in his annual Thanksgiving Proclamation.

James V. Claypool, author of "God on A Battle Wagon," former Naval chaplain hero, and now secretary of Promotion of Bible Use for the society, went to the White House twice to persuade the President to carry through on these two ideas. Claypool never got further than Charles G. Ross, White House press secretary, who was sympathetic, but had to relay the negative answer from the President.

Mr. Truman struck a religious chord in his Thanksgiving message, and urged the nation to give thanks to God, but he failed to mention Bible reading.

It's felt that the President perhaps thought he would be laying himself open to further criticism from some churchmen for his social practices if he became too "religious" in his proclamations and speeches.

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**LORDS ACRE PLAN
REVIVES CHURCHES**

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familiar work which he must do with the soil of the earth, and makes it a link with the Higher Power. By dedicating to that Higher Power a part of his labor and a part of the best fruits which his soil produces, the man plowing the field yonder has established between the Deity and himself an awareness that didn't exist in his mind before.

"Here and there, it is true, the plan has failed. . . But they have been few. So many have been successes, so steadily is the movement still spreading, that champions of the plan are probably justified in their claim that it has saved the rural church in America."

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Mrs. Ida M. Walker has assumed the duties of financial and general church secretary at First Baptist church, Gulfport. She came from New Orleans.

porating these principles. Here lies the imperative for an immediate undertaking for worldwide and thorough evangelizing of all peoples. Christian missions must be comprehensive, thorough and universal. New men are essential to a new world.

Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." I Corinthians 1:23.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual Convention Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 2, 4:00 p.m., Baptist Building.

The Executive Committee meets at 2 p.m. the same day.

We mail Mississippi Baptist Convention annuals only upon request.

Southern Baptist Convention annuals have been mailed to pastors. Others desirous of a copy will write this office.

All applications to the Convention Board for financial aid must be in this office by December 1st.

The officers of the Associational Moderators and Associational Clerks Meeting announce that the session that had been called for December 5 has been postponed to a date to be announced later. The reason for this is that several large meetings are already scheduled for this week.

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If we gird ourselves for the work ahead, Mississippi Baptists might well note some cautions. An army does not live on cautions, but it does not live and do well always unless it takes note of some that are worthwhile.

First, unless Mississippi Baptists mean business for the King in getting under and going after the \$1,000,000 Co-operative Program goal, we could lose from \$200,000 to \$500,000 in total receipts for 1947; and that would be a tragedy indeed.

Second, we are not telling any Baptist or any church what he or it must do, but we are saying that until many of our churches adjust their 1947 church budgets scaling upward the Co-operative Program percentage, we will fight a losing battle.

Third, we must not hide behind budgets and what not. Again and again it has been called to our attention that in the past we have brought not over \$4,500,000 to the house of the Lord for all the work during a given year with a minimum tithe in the amount of \$16,000,000.

Fourth, it will greatly help in promoting the Co-operative Program if we take the Co-operative Program straight according to the percentage of distribution and not deduct and deduct too often.

II

We have watched Mississippi Baptist work grow with a great deal of satisfaction. We naturally know more about the period in which we have served as Executive Secretary. Nobody better realizes that we have had only a small part in it all, but we rejoice in that part. Just a drop in a refreshing shower!

We have seen 50,000 church members added!

We have seen total tithes and offerings grow from \$200,000 to \$1,800,000!

We have seen gifts through the Co-operative Program grow from \$100,000 to \$500,000!

We have seen every institution laden with heavy debt come to be debt free!

We have seen splendid new State Mission departments added!

We have seen existent departments grow!

We have seen the Ministers' Retirement Plan set up!

We have seen the Baptist Record Business Management go from a \$3,000-\$10,000 deficit to a \$17,000-\$20,000 profit!

We have seen a consistently high level of baptisms maintained!

We have seen a great Christian Fellowship growing!

We now have before us some of the greatest all-time objectives under the will of God! Surely—

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS ARE ON THE MARCH!

In 1939 we had 1093 churches making some contributions to the work of Christ from the Association on throughout the world through the Convention Board office. That year we had 1552 churches listed.

In 1945 we had 1458 churches making contributions through the Convention Board office out of a total of 1556 churches listed. That showed a gain of 365 in cooperating churches. That means that last year there were only 98 churches listed as Mississippi Baptist churches having no part in the co-operative work of the Lord Jesus Christ as done by Mississippi Baptists so far as Convention Board office records are concerned.

We consider this an outstanding if not the outstanding growth in Mississippi Baptist life. During the same time we were adding a net gain of 50,000 church members. You will note that we did not gain very much in the number of churches. Some churches were being consolidated. Most of these years were war years, and our people were moving about a great deal, and building materials were scarce. Nevertheless, the gain in co-operating churches was tremendous.

Mississippi Baptists are on the march!

III

"A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench;" (Isaiah 42:3). The gentleness of Jesus is one of His most attractive qualities. It is a Christian trait most of us might well develop in our own lives. He was sympathetic, understanding, loving, courteous, gentle, helpful around children and grown-ups. He loved the rich young man who went away from Him. He loved Nicodemus and "up and out." He loved the sinful while despising their sin.

Today we fear there is altogether too much of the spirit of the Pharisee with a little cheap, catty, critical, mean spirit for many church members to be particularly attractive to sinners who might be brought to Christ.

We believe in the hospital and institutional visitation work because we believe Jesus would go there if he were here in the flesh. We have enjoyed the few trips it has been our privilege to make to Parchman because in part we believe that is one of the places we believe Jesus would go if He were here in the flesh.

Without apology we have tried to help an occasional well nigh broken preacher who has come to us because we find Jesus majoring in helping broken people in His ministry in the flesh on the earth. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the

poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind; to set at liberty them that are bruised." (Luke 4:18). We have had an occasional church employee, an educational director, a music director, a Sunday school superintendent, and others come to us. Without exception, we have found it easy to be sympathetic and at least to try to be understanding. "God is love." John 4.

IV

"He shall no fail." (Isaiah 42:4). A great many people — church members — professives — show that they plainly fear that Jesus will fail. They are afraid He will fail in His Word. They are afraid He will fail in keeping His promises. "Darkness may overtake me and my song forsake me, but alone I never shall be; For the Friend beside me promised He would guide me And will keep His promise to me. He will keep His promise to me, All the way with me He will go; He has never broken any promise spoken; He will keep His promise, I know." They are afraid He will not fulfill all His prophesies. They are afraid He will fail in His church. They are afraid He will fail in His Missionary program.

The devil never has rolled Jesus over in the sand, and he never will. Jesus keeps His word. He will fulfill every prophesy. He will never break a promise. That is true yesterday, today, and forever!

Christ's missionary program is not failing today. Look at His multitude of churches in this country. He will not fail. We saw a church packed with an evening congregation at Victoria, Mexico; and eight persons responding to the invitation. He will not fail. We saw His churches in Cuba and saw people responding to His Gospel. He will not fail. We have seen His followers in Jerusalem where today it is difficult to be a Christian. He will not fail. In Canada we have seen thousands of people assembled in worship to our Christ. He will not fail. We have seen people pack a church in far away Alaska. He will not fail. Think of the thirty-three Baptist churches at Recife, Brazil. He will not fail. Think of our fifty-four churches in Rio de Janeiro. He will not fail. Think of our churches a thousand miles up the Amazon River in the heart of a wilderness of a great continent. He will not fail. Think of the preaching stations back in the cold of the Andes. He will not fail.

R. A. BANQUET ENJOYED

A banquet was the final feature of the R.A. focus week in New Hebron church, with 10 members with parents attending. Rev. C. E. Spain of Silver Creek was speaker, and Frank Newson was toastmaster. The following took part on the program: Alfred Berry, C. P. Wells, George Weatherby, Harry Stamps and Harold Benson. Mrs. C. P. Wells is the efficient Young People's leader.

Those attending were: Mrs. John B. Newsom, Frank and Fred; Mrs. Ona Johnston and Jerry Taylor; Mr. Roy Berry and Alfred; Mrs. A. B. Thurman and A. B. Jr.; Mrs. Dewey Weatherby and George; Mr. Walter Stamps and Harry; Mr. C. P. Wells and Carl Jr.; Mrs. Robert Benson and Harold; Jimmie D. Armstrong, and Rev. C. E. Spain.

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JUNIOR-FRESHMAN WEDDING

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Nov. 11.—The traditional Junior - Freshman Wedding was solemnized Saturday at Blue Mountain College with Christine Cole, freshman from Philadelphia, as bride, and Eleanor Green, junior from Louisville, as the groom. The bride was given away by President Lawrence T. Lowrey.

Shirley Williams, St. Petersburg, Fla., was maid of honor and Jean Yates, Houston, Texas, was best man. Tommie Nelson, Birmingham, Ala., was matron of honor. Dickie Guyton and Carol Tyler, Blue Mountain, were ring bearer and train bearer respectively. The bridesmaids were as follows: Edean Harris, Gunnison; Marguerite Naylor, Washington, D. C.; Betty Cooper, Memphis, Tenn.; Quirina Tappolini, Mt. Pleasant; Dorothy Jean Stell, Memphis, Tenn.; Betty Brush, Nashville, Tenn.; Martha Jean Neils, Gadsden, Ala.; Ann Overstreet, Jackson; Peggy Holland, Philadelphia; and Helen Keyes Brewer, Greenwood.

The groomsmen were as follows: Garnette Faye Atkinson, Satartia; Lavonne Price, Bogue Chitto; Lillian Tyre, Okahumpka; Harriet Lowrey, Blue Mountain; Geraldine Lackey, Calhoun City;

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF AND PLEDGE OF COOPERATION TO DR. I. E. ROUSE, PRESIDENT MISSISSIPPI WOMANS COLLEGE

Whereas; Dr. I. E. Rouse, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, has resigned as pastor of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church to accept the presidency of the Mississippi Womans College.

And Whereas; In his work as colabourer in Lebanon Association he was the spiritual and intellectual leader in the work of the Lord.

And Whereas; He and his very efficient wife have made invaluable contributions to the work of the Lord in said association.

And Whereas; All the churches of said association wish to express through these resolutions their deepest appreciation and highest esteem of him and his faithful wife for their efficiency.

Therefore Be It Resolved; That we go on record as extending to them our deepest regrets, that they are no longer associated with us in the pastorate and pledge to them our most devout cooperation in the operation of Mississippi Womans College.

Be It Further Resolved, That we go on record as expressing to the board of trustees of said college our most sincere congratulations in their wise choice of this most efficient man as President.

Be It Further Resolved, That we go on record as expressing to the board of this resolution be presented to Dr. and Mrs. Rouse, a copy to Baptist Record, a copy to Fifth Avenue Baptist Church and a copy spread upon the pages of the minutes of Lebanon Baptist Association of 1946.

TROY A. SUMRALL, Chr.
W. R. STORIE
O. R. MOSLEY

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The Providence Baptist church near Hattiesburg, has formed a new adult Training Union for your married couples. This makes three adult unions for this church. Rev. W. R. Storie is pastor.

Betty Hubbard, Bonita; Laurella Owens, Clanton, Ala.; Beverly Hodges, Meridian; Katherine Beaty, Jackson; and Joyce Bolton, Henderson, Tenn.

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Thanksgiving

Many days have been set aside as a day of Thanksgiving since that first Thanksgiving Day when the Pilgrims landed on the shore of a country for liberty-loving and God-fearing people. No other nation has a national Thanksgiving Day such as we in the United States of America observe.

This day is observed in many ways according to the disposition of the millions in our land. For some this is a day of feasting, a day for gaiety and recreation, or surcease from work; but for thousands, it is a day to "count our blessings" and a day for true worship and Thanksgiving to God. Some will worship at the hour of sunrise, and as the hands of the clock move around, Christian people of many faiths will go unto the house of the Lord to worship and adore Him, there to make offerings to Him as gifts are brought for homeless boys and girls, and for children with one or no parents, who are cared for by orphanages.

Americans have a great heritage; and Christian Americans have a greater heritage. For our forbears in this great Southland, who came centuries ago, this was a land of promise. As they cut timber to build homes, they also erected places of worship and schools, so their children could be reared "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord".

For the blessings of this heritage, for Christian homes, for the great responsibilities and privileges that are ours in this new age, a age of air travel and atomic energy, we should be grateful. Dependent as we are at all times upon the goodness and grace of God, experiences of this year make us realize anew our dependence upon Him. Seeing "unbroken blankets and billows of clouds covering several states as you fly above them, bring to mind the verses from the scripture that His everlasting arms shall uphold us, and com-

forted by His promises, our hearts become still and we "know that He is God". Safety may not always mean physical safety, although we may trust Him for that. When we are abiding in Him and every day becomes Thanksgiving, then there is no fear. With Paul we can say "For to me to give is Christ and to die is gain". Remembering that the Master Scientist, who permitted the development of atomic energy, can teach us to control that power is our solace in these days of unrest.

At this season we are thankful for peace in our hearts and for freedom from the din of battle, as it came to us on air waves through our radios and in the headlines of our papers short months ago. For the fact that of all the homes where the Death Angel has come, God as spared our lives and the lives of those dear to us, we are grateful. For Food, when many in the world are hungry, and for raiment, when many are thinly clad and suffering from the cold of winter, O Lord, accept our thanks! For opportunities to serve not only those whom we love, but the many whom thou dost send our way, we thank Thee, Lord! For new lives committed to the care of parents, and for new lives in Christ as Christians have testified from pulpit and pew, we pray!

As we "take stock" remembering God's goodness to us, may we be thankful day by day, knowing that God will grant forgiveness to His erring children when we come in penitence and seek to know and do His will. "All along our Pilgrim journey", keep us, Lord, "close to Thee".

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Dr. Lipsey Honored By N. O. Seminary

At the suggestion of Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, the new dormitory for men has been named "Lipsey Hall," in honor of Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Sr. The honor is justly bestowed for Dr. Lipsey is not only a great friend of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, but a Mississippi Baptist statesman, preacher, author and student.

The New Orleans Seminary also honors itself by thus naming the new building in recognition of one of, if not, the best friend that the institution ever had.

Before the Baptist Bible Institute was organized, Dr. Lipsey, then editor of the Baptist Record, was writing editorials advocating such an institution. He was named on the first Board of Trustees, and he was elected president of the trustees. He has continued as a

trustee and as president of the trustees.

During all the years of the existence of the Baptist Bible Institute, now the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Lipsey has given generously of his time and his money in support of this great institution. Therefore Mississippi Baptists utter a hearty "Amen" to the following lines copied from "Vision," the monthly publication of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary:

"Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Sr., may truly be called 'Mr. Greatheart' of the Seminary. He is father of the idea of having a seminary in New Orleans. He is the Nestor among the trustees. He has been the guiding genius of many wise policies of the institution. He is eminently worthy of honor among us."

"At the president's suggestion it was voted unanimously by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees to name the new dormitory 'Lipsey Hall'."

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56-46 Clubs

In order that no one is caught napping notice is hereby given that next week the BAPTIST RECORD will carry details of the 56-46 Clubs. They have no connection with the Veterans 52-20 clubs.

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We Need To Know

On another Page is an article entitled "We Need To Know."

If you have any hopes of attending the Baptist World Alliance at Copenhagen, Denmark July 29-August 3, 1947 find that article and do what it suggests. It will help you, the committee and the steamship companies.

Do it now!

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Visitation Program Idea Gains Results

Since the plan for the intensive church visitation and enlistment emphasis in Mississippi, as passed by the Convention last week, an interesting letter has come from Dr. D. M. Nelson, Jr., pastor of Calvary church of Kansas City, in which he tells of a similar plan used in that church.

Dr. Nelson relates how 115 of the best members of this congregation gathered nightly at the church for a fellowship supper, after which they did definite evangelistic visiting, for four nights. As a result, there were 111 decision cards signed, almost half being professions of faith, and 21 joined the church the Sunday following the visiting. Others will come.

Commenting on it, Dr. Nelson said, "What is better, the week's

experience made over those who did the visiting."

Mississippi Baptist churches which use the plan as outlined at the convention will doubtless have similar reports to make.

But read all of Dr. Nelson's interesting letter:

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

.. We have just experienced such a profound blessing in our church that I feel constrained to share it with you. Our church through the years has been notoriously unsuccessful with Revival meetings. Lost people just didn't seem to come. This year we decide to try a Home Visitation Evangelism Campaign. For four nights from 75 to 100 members of our church met for supper and instructions before going out to witness for their Lord. In those four nights over 400 visits were made and 111 people signed decision cards. 60% of these were to move letters. 40% were first decisions, signing the statement "I believe in Jesus Christ and purpose with His help to live a Christian life". Each of these 111 people will have a personal conference with me before presenting themselves for membership. Twenty-one joined last Sunday. More are coming this Sunday. It is our desire to have them all before the middle of December.

But even that is not the greatest blessing — those who visited were made over and made alive for Christ. Before we began many said, "I just can't do it. I'm scared to death". But they did. They found they could witness for Christ. They had the happiest days of their Christian experience. On the last night of the visitation the people voted unanimously to continue it, devoting one night a month, at least, to personal evangelism. Can you imagine what 100 people can do once a month for the Lord? One of my men expressed my sentiments exactly when he said, "Pastor, we should have been doing this a long time ago."

Sincerely,

..... D. M. Nelson, Jr.

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The Marion Baptist Church had a BTU study Course the week of October 21-25 in cooperation with the county-wide study course. We had Rev. R. Y. Gerrard with us to teach the book "The Meaning of Church Membership" to our Intermediates. P. F. Engell taught the B.A.U. Manual, Pastor Carl E. Talbert, taught the Young People and Mrs. Jamie Harding taught the Juniors. We had a total of 51 taking the courses for credit. We concluded the week with a banquet on Friday night. Mrs. Carl Talbert is our director.—Carl E. Talbert, Pastor.

Main Street church in Hattiesburg has signed a contract for air conditioning to be installed in the church auditorium before next spring. December 1 has been designated as Tithers' and Pledge Day.

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Miss. College Paragraphs

By D. M. Nelson, President

No man putting his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God. Luke 9:62. Mississippi Baptists will plow straight ahead to the end of the row in the enlargement of Mississippi College which was planned and projected two years ago. The need for these enlarged facilities is immediate, the demand upon us is distressingly great. There never was a time in our history when a money investment would yield so largely in spiritual dividends.

Now, therefore, perform the doing of it; that as there was a readiness to will, so there may be a performance also out of that which you have. 2 Corinthians 8:11. Mississippi Baptists will pay their vows and complete what they have so gloriously begun.

Prove me now herewith saith the Lord of host, if I will not pour out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to contain it. Malachi 3:9. Two years ago Mississippi Baptists covenanted together to enlarge the facilities and increase the usefulness of Mississippi College. It was thought then that after this had been achieved an intensive campaign for students would be inaugurated that the enlarged facilities might be fully utilized. With only two years of the five year period gone, with the financial goal unachieved and the buildings unfinished, without solicitation the students have arrived in such numbers as to overflow dormitory rooms, classrooms, assembly rooms, apartment houses and withal a long waiting list of splendid young people who ought to be in college.

Another parable spake he unto them; The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. Matthew 13:33. Veterans are flowing into the classrooms of our colleges in increasingly large numbers. It is estimated by experts that the peak of this enrollment will not be reached until the session of 1949-50 and after that there will be a leveling off period of four or five years making a decade of opportunity in training these heroes and heroines of war for the pursuit of peace. Then, too, there is a bill in Congress which would grant scholarships to young men and young women to be used in the colleges of their choice. There is likelihood of its passage. Thus there is strong likelihood of college enrollment doubling or even tripling in the next few years. Our Christian colleges must supply the saving leaven for this enlarged educational movement.

Notwithstanding labor troubles and material shortages, the building goes forward. One of the residence halls for young women is practically completed. The other one is well on its way. The Administration, Classroom and Auditorium Building is beginning to rise. The completion of these structures will add in reality four brick, concrete and steel fireproof buildings to our equipment. With the necessary funds forthcoming it is believed that these imperatively needed facilities will be ready for dedication by the end of the present session.

The enrollment for the present session is now 936. With the opening of the third term in January it will go beyond the 1000 mark. Mississippi Col-



A unique service took place at the annual Mississippi Baptist Convention at Jackson, Miss., when a private plane, presented to Dr. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, by some of the churches, was dedicated. It is called "The Gospel Flyer." In the pocket of the plane was placed a bottle of water from the Fountain of Philip, the Evangelist, in Palestine, brought back by Dr. McCall when he visited the Holy Land, and a small New Testament with olive wood backs, which he brought from Bethlehem. Appropriate comments were made by numbers of pastors whose churches made possible this gift to the Secretary as it was ded-

icated to the work. Dr. McCall, who is a licensed pilot, is finding the plane very practical in his journeys, since a great many Mississippi areas have landing fields already constructed. The plane saves him many hours of driving and is less strenuous than automobile travel. He has driven approximately 40,000 miles per year by car during the seven years he has served as secretary, in addition to several thousand by train. He recently visited mission fields in Alaska and South America flying with Pan American Airways, and is an aviation enthusiast. The churches and pastors who sponsored the plane are: First Baptist, Philadelphia, Dr. W. L. Johnson, pastor; First Baptist, Grenada,

Dr. G. E. Wiley, pastor; First Baptist, Natchez, Dr. W. A. Sullivan, pastor; Southside, Meridian, Rev. A. E. Mason, pastor; First Baptist, Senatobia, Dr. H. L. Martin, pastor; First Baptist, Carthage, Dr. Wm. Potter, pastor; First Baptist, McComb, Dr. W. R. Hunter, pastor; Calvary, Tupelo, Dr. F. M. Powell, pastor; First Baptist, Crystal Springs, Rev. J. T. Odle, pastor; and First Baptist, Aberdeen, Rev. C. W. Thompson, pastor.

Brother Wyatt Hunter and Brother C. W. Thompson could not be present for the picture.

Mr. M. F. Rayburn, a leading layman of Meridian and a good friend to the Executive Secretary, stands by his pastor, Brother Estus Mason.

lege is leaving the class of the small college. With provision completed for 350 to 400 young women and even with only the prewar enrollment of from 500 to 600 young men the present proposed expansion program will barely meet the necessities of these without making provision for the increased flow that is sure to come. If Mississippi Baptists and the friends of Mississippi College desire it and are willing to make the necessary sacrifice, it is more than a dream to envision 2000 young men and young women on our campus studing the arts and the sciences, the vocations and the professions in an atmosphere charged with spiritual verities, learning of Him and preparing for leadership in His Kingdom. This is the time for Mississippi Baptists to major on Mississippi College.

As you would know the building program is costing money—much money. These four fireproof structures

will cost in the neighborhood of \$500,000. This means that every interested person who has already given should give again and those who have not yet given should give. It would be tragic to allow the work to stop and thus be unable to relieve the congestion which is now upon us and make possible the coming of the other young people on the waiting list. The challenge is immediate and urgent. Let every friend bear his part of the load.

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Rev. W. C. Stewart Dies Suddenly At Derma

The Rev. W. C. Stewart, Sr., pastor of the Derma Baptist church, and for many years a member of the Convention Board, died suddenly Monday night Nov. 11 at his home in Derma.

Mr. Stewart was 55 years of age. During his life time he served the Baptist Church at Houston for 15

years as pastor. He had also served churches at Meadville and Roxie, and a few years ago accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church at Evergreen, La. He returned to Mississippi only a few months ago, accepting a call from the church at Derma.

Survivors include: His wife, three sons, Major W. C. Stewart, Jr., serving with the army in Germany, Garland Stewart and Buddy Stewart, of Corinth, a daughter Miss Wilma Stewart, Corinth, and three brothers, C. A. Stewart, of Jackson; Arvin Stewart of Ellard and Ben Stewart of Memphis.

Funeral services were held in the First Baptist Church of Houston and were conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. D. Satterwhite.

A native of Calhoun county, the Rev. Mr. Stewart was a graduate of Mississippi College and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM:

Dr. B. D. Gray, Sr., passed away quietly Monday night at 8:50 o'clock at Baptist Hospital in Atlanta. Funeral services Wednesday afternoon 3:30 from First Baptist Church, Atlanta. The family address is 819 Peachtree Street, Northeast.

JAMES W. MIDDLETON,
Pastor, First Baptist Church.

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CHRISTIAN UNDERTAKING TESTED BY WAR

Dr. Ranking Reports on Trip To China

"In his first official report to the Foreign Mission Board on his three-months survey of relief and rehabilitation needs in China, Dr. M. Theron Ranking declared: 'I come home with renewed confidence in the worthwhileness of Christian missions in Africa, Europe, the Near East, and Latin America because of what I saw in the Orient. Not a single Baptist church failed to survive the war. Groups of redeemed individuals conscious of their duty to God to give the gospel to their own people have assumed the responsibility for God's Kingdom in their midst.'

This maturity of Christian leadership, Dr. Rankin stated, means that the Board will now function in China entirely within the framework of programs adopted by Chinese Baptist associations and conventions. The appointment of future personnel for China missions will be made on the basis of requests from Chinese Baptists, he said.

This is the good that has come out of the war. It does not relieve us of responsibility, but increases it, the executive said.

Dr. Rankin reported progress in getting missionaries back to their fields. The majority of those who are available for immediate return are either in China or on the way. Some are delayed by the strike.

In regard to rehabilitation, plans and schedules were made in minute detail, in consultation with Chinese leaders and missionaries on the basis of actual observation and present needs. Relief is being administered through local churches as agents.

China Suffered Acute Losses

The greatest single loss to Christianity in China was not in buildings or property, but in trained leaders, stated Dr. Rankin. 'War interrupted the work of our three theological institutions. In five years the total loss was 200. If these leaders were now available to put into the work, Chinese Baptists would be farther ahead in the recovery of their schools and colleges.'

Dr. Rankin said he had never known a time in his 25 years' acquaintance with the Orient when China was more open to the preaching of the gospel. 'People are responding to the message of God as never before, he said.'

'You cannot judge what's going on in China by the political and economic confusion reported in the press, China may be more fairly judged on the basis of private enterprise. Individuals and groups have accomplished wonders in reconstruction in one year.'

CHRISTMAS PLAYS AND PAGEANTS ... With a missionary message for all

The Little Manger King (Play with carols interspersed)—25 cents.

The Shepherd's Story (Pageant: narrative, music and pantomime)—10 cents. Cast may vary in number, about 20 being the minimum; time about 35 minutes.

The Gift Magnificent (Reading and carols, pantomime if desired)—35 cents—reader and choir, other characters as needed for pantomime; time about 45 minutes.

The Manager (Play in five scenes; excellent for evening service) — 15

cents—12 characters, men and women; time about 45 minutes.

"And the Angel said" (Play in one act)—25 cents "Fear not," for Christ ever lives; 5 young women; group of carolers; time about 35 minutes.

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This Holy Night (Carol Service with tableau in Christmas setting).—10 cents — "Family" group; Nativity group; chorus choir; about 35 minutes.

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New Secretary For Tyertown

Miss Madge Sterling, native of Jackson, and a graduate of Mississippi College, has accepted the call to First Baptist church at Tylertown and Educational Secretary. Miss Sterling, who was formerly a member of Calvary church in Jackson, is a talented musician as well as qualified in the realm in which she has started her new work. She began November 1.

Dr. W. R. Cooper, pastor, has the following to say regarding her:

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Kentucky Souvenir Presented To Mississippi Convention



Louisville, Kentucky—Dr. G. S. Dobbins, representing the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at the recent annual session of Mississippi Baptists, in Jackson, presented the presiding officer of the convention a beech gavel as a souvenir of Southern Seminary. Made from timber of an uprooted tree on the campus, the gavel bears a bronze plate engraved to the Mississippi Baptist State Convention of 1946. Similar gavels were presented to other state conventions. Pictured here is Dr. W. B. Tatum, special representative of the Seminary, as he made final inspection of the souvenirs before distributing them.

THREE DEACONS ORDAINED AT TUCKER'S CROSSING

In an impressive service on November 17, 1946, the Tucker's Crossing Baptist Church ordained three deacons, who had been elected by the church on November 3.

Those ordained were: R. K. Walin, Fred Josey, and C. R. Holifield.

Rev. B. S. Hilburn preached a highly inspirational ordination sermon, and Rev. J. D. Aycock, pastor of the Tucker's Crossing Church, led in the ordination prayer.

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THANKSGIVING

Summer's fair days, autumn's rare glow
Chilling breezes, then flakey snow
Seasons of sunshine, seasons of play
Seasons of sorrow, all come our way
But in our hearts melodies ring
As songs of Thanksgiving we sing.
Joyful thankful we should be
Rich or poor on bended knee
Hearts uplifted, heavenward raised
God, our Maker to be praised
For his goodness, life so replete
Friends - loved ones, all things complete.
Sailing o'er life's tempestuous sea
Storm-tossed, weary, mortals we
Can we but see, the rainbow bright
Spanning the sky a glorious sight.
Countless blessings round us find
Tokens from Heaven, to all mankind
Day of Days, the proclamation
Halts from care the entire nation.
Songs of praise, and gratitude
Thrills our souls with fortitude
Till all life sends forth rays
Of perpetual Thanksgiving days.

—Mrs. T. W. Hudson, Pascagoula, Miss.

JOHN TURNER CHEATHAM

On September 28 John Turner Cheatham passed away at his home near Anding. He had been in failing health for several months and for the last few weeks was confined to his bed.

Mr. Cheatham was born February 29, 1869. He had lived in Anding since his marriage on February 20, 1888 to Miss Elizabeth Kirk. To this family were born one son and four daughters, one of whom died in infancy.

Mr. Cheatham was a member of Anding Church and also a deacon for a number of years. He was a good, kind husband and father and loved his Lord.

To know Mr. Cheatham was to love him for he seemed to draw people to him, young or old, black or white.

When a young man he used to work for the railroad on the Kentucky Division and was telegraph operator for a few years. After his marriage he devoted his time to farming and was a successful farmer. He was ever ready to stop his work to aid a neighbor or friend.

Those who survive him are his wife and three daughters, Mrs. E. L. Brent, McComb; Mrs. J. V. O'Neal and Mrs. L. P. Gayden, Bentonia, Rt. 1; also a son J. L. Cheatham, Bentonia, Rt. 1; two sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Martha Ruth and Mrs. Susie MacMichael of Jackson, Foster Lester and James Cheatham of Houston; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Good-by now, Uncle Johnny
We know you are safe from all harm
Resting with Jesus your Saviour
Waiting for the others to come home.
So sleep on dear Uncle
We all miss you so,
But God called you up higher
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DOROTHY PAGE

CHAPTER VII (Continued)

"You see, Doctor," said Dorothy, "that those who were baptized in New Testament times first believed. You say that infants ought to be baptized because they have the heavenly and converted nature; but the Bible does not say that. Those who were baptized first believed. Now an infant cannot believe. I do not feel, Doctor, that I know a hundredth part as much of the Bible as you know, but don't you think that Christ meant by those words about little children and the Kingdom of Heaven that they must cultivate the qualities of a little child and that the child nature was a type of the heavenly nature? He did not connect this with baptism."

"Did you know that whole families were baptized?" asked the Doctor. "Many times baptisms were administered in homes not simply on those who believed, but on the whole family, young and old."

"But are you sure, Doctor, that there were infants in those families?"

"Not absolutely sure, but almost; at any rate the burden of proof is on those who deny that infants were in any of those families."

"Show us some of the accounts of family baptisms," said the father. "It does look a little curious, daughter."

They turned first to Acts 16:13-15: "And a certain woman, named Lydia, a seller of purple of the city of Thyatira, which worshiped God, heard us, whose heart the Lord opened that she attended unto the things that were spoken of Paul. And when she was baptized and her household she besought us, saying."

"How do you know there were any infants in her household? It does not even say she was married," said Dorothy. "She was a seller of purple and maybe she was an unmarried woman working for her living. At any rate I do not see that you can prove that she had any infants in her household."

"It looks to me," said the father, "as if that woman was a working woman and as if her household were her fellow-workers, and that there were probably no infants among them."

"Here is another passage," said the Doctor, "in 1 Corinthians 1:16: 'And I baptized also the household of Stephanus.' Will you affirm there were no infants there? How many households do you think I could baptize without hitting upon an infant? Why do you exclude infants?"

The brother was busy looking through the concordance to see if he could find out something more about this Stephanus and his household, and in a few moments he exclaimed: "Here is some light on the household of Stephanus in 1 Corinthians 15:15. It reads: 'Ye know the house of Stephanus.' There you have it again—the house of Stephanus. That must have been an interesting house: 'Ye know the house of Stephanus, that it is the first fruits of Achaia and that they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints.'"

"You see, Doctor," said Dorothy, "it seems that that household were intelligent people and acted for themselves, and therefore were not infants. Just notice what it says—that the House of Stephanus were 'the first fruits of Achaia'. What does that mean—'the first fruits'?"

"Why, the first fruits are the first grain that is gathered in a harvest."

"Oh, I see. Then the members of Stephanus' household were the first

ROMANS 10:13-15

"For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?"

The One Million Dollar Co-operative Program Goal on the part of Mississippi Baptists for 1947

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to the end that throughout Mississippi, the South, and the world—

THEY MAY HEAR ABOUT JESUS!

300 Mississippi Baptist Churches not now giving through the Co-operative Program to all the causes of Christ beyond the local church **NOW** have the opportunity of joining in this great movement.

100,000 Mississippi Baptists not now sending tithes and offerings through the Co-operative Program "that they may hear" may now do so in Mississippi Baptists' greatest effort along this line!

1100 Mississippi Baptist Churches already generously co-operating through the Co-operative Program channel will now consider adjusting and readjusting their budgets giving a larger percentage through the Co-operative Program!

"And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent?"

ONE MILLION DOLLAR CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM GOAL IN 1947 FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS!

ones to accept Christianity in Achaia, and if they accepted Christianity of course they were not infants."

"But it may have meant that they were the first ones in Achaia to be baptized — 'the first fruits' in that sense — and if so, there could have been infants in the house."

"But notice what comes in the next verse: 'And that they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints.' You don't think, Doctor, he would speak of infants addicting themselves to the ministry of the saints, do you?"

"It looks as if you will have to surrender on that point, gentlemen," said Mr. Page. "I am a novice in Bible teaching, and yet it does seem plain that that household were intelligent folks—the first to be converted in Ach—"

"Achaia," spoke up Dr. Vincent.

"Thanks for the word, the first fruits of Achaia, and they also 'addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints'. I don't think you had better look for any young ones in that bunch."

"I give you another household," said the Doctor. "It is in Acts 16:33. It is in the story of Paul and Silas' experience in prison and the conversion of the jailer at midnight. It reads: 'He took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes and was baptized, he and all his straightway.' Now, my fair debater, I suppose you will declare in most solemn tones that there were no infants in the jailer's family. May I ask for your verdict on that point?"

"Look here," said Dorothy, who was examining the passage: "It says plainly that all of them 'did believe'."

"Stop, daughter," said the father. "You are joking about that."

"Listen to the next verse," she said: "And when he had brought them into his house he set meat before them and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house."

"Take down your flag, gentlemen," exclaimed the father impulsively.

"Your guns are silenced. The jailer believed in God with 'all his house'."

Well, I guess that means that all his house believed with him, and they must have been very sprightly infants and quite overgrown to have joined their father in that believing."

"It says they all rejoiced also," said Dorothy. "And look at the verse preceding: 'And they spake the Word of the Lord to all that were in the house.' That came before they were all baptized. They 'spake the Word to all'. Notice the 'all', to all that were in the house. I guess that 'all' that were in the house must have been old enough to understand his preaching if he spoke the Word to all of them. Doctor," she asked, "do you think you can find an infant in that attentive, believing, rejoicing household?"

"Read us about another household baptism," as she noted that the Doctor seemed to be closing the Bible.

"This completes the list of household baptisms. I think they are sufficient."

"But, Doctor, not one of these households are said to have had children in them, and if they did have children the children must have been old enough to believe, because it is stated in the case of every one of them that those that were baptized believed or received the word that was spoken. They were all old enough to hear, to understand and to believe the Word."

"From all the passages which I have heard in these discussions," said the father, "one thing seems to stand out very plainly about baptism, and that is that in the Bible times faith had to come before baptism".

"If this is so," said Dorothy, "then infant baptism is unscriptural, because it is a baptism without faith. Infants can not exercise faith."

"Daughter," said the Doctor, "you are mistaken. I can show you that in the case of every infant baptism there is always a faith that precedes the baptism."

"What do you mean, Doctor?" asked Dorothy in great perplexity.

At this moment the telephone bell

25 YEARS AGO

By Rev. R. A. EDDLEMAN

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman
Philadelphia Church, Neshoba County, has called Rev. W. Rufus Beckett, Mt. Olive.

On December the 4th, Pastor J. D. Franks of First Church, Columbus, will begin a revival meeting, having Charley Butler to lead the singing.

Pastor Lee B. Spencer announced that he would present his resignation to the church at Yazoo City Sunday, Nov. 13.

The wettest dry community is far more dry than the driest wet community—W. H. Anderson.

Pastor J. S. Johnson has resigned at Bay St. Louis.

Pastor S. P. Morris of Port Gibson writes that a gracious revival was held in the church there from October the 30th-November the 4th, with Dr. W. A. Borum of Natchez doing the preaching. There were fourteen young people received for baptism. Large crowds attended all of the services and the people were greatly blessed. Mrs. Borum, Dr. Borum's wife assisted at the piano and his daughter, Miss. Marian, in the song service. This was Dr. Borum's second meeting in Port Gibson.

The members of the Port Gibson Baptist church has just presented Pastor S. P. Morris a new Ford car as a love gift from the membership of his congregation, which will greatly help him in reaching the people in his seven out stations and will greatly strengthen the Baptist work in that part of the state.

Congressman B. G. Lowrey, now in Washington, pleads in a letter to this Office that our people shall join in prayer that God may guide those participating in the conference on the Limitation of Armaments soon to assemble in Washington.

The meeting at First Church Laurel closed with 129 additions and 65 volunteers.

Rev. J. E. Kinsey:—I am now located in the heart of the Delta with Merigold, Oak Ridge and Dockery churches forming my field. My family and I moved to this work on the 15th, of September. We will make our home in Merigold.

Her Friend: "I should think of the two you would accept Jack; he has such a sunny disposition."

She: "That's just the trouble; you see I freckle so easily."

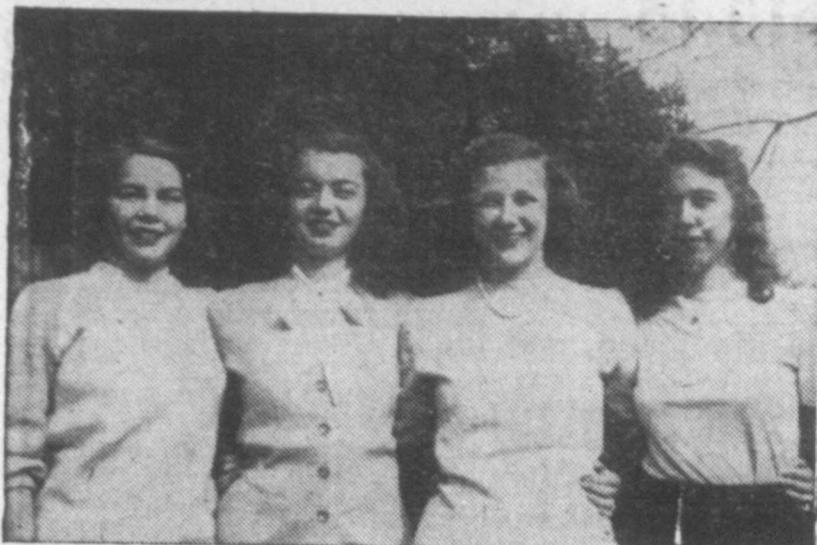
FRIENDSHIP HAS COURSE

O. L. Chambers, minister of music at the Forest church, was leader of a fine study course at Friendship church at Kreole, recently. The visiting worker supplied the pulpit also for two services. There were three additions to the church and several rededication. The church was helped greatly by the services of the week.

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L. F. Gallop, treasurer of Border Springs Church, Lowndes County, recently sent a list of thirty renewal subscriptions. The Baptist Record is grateful for this help.

rang and Dorothy was called to speak to a girl friend, who extended to her an invitation for a carriage ride on the next afternoon. In a few moments the conversation was resumed.

(Continued Next Week)



BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Nov. 18—Officers of the Freshman Class of Blue Mountain College (Left to Right): Mary Ann Boland, Tralake, treasurer; Peggy Holland, Philadelphia, secretary; Mary Kate Bowling, Hattiesburg, vice-president; and Norva Ruth Zipperer, Madison, Tenn., president.

Sunday School Lesson

by Hight C. Moore

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson for December First

A LETTER ON CHRISTIAN LIVING.

Acts 19:1-20:1; All of Ephesians.

I. Ephesus. But before we begin anything else, let us read the scriptures assigned, all of them. Of the epistle itself there are in my Bible five and a half pages, six chapters. You can read it in, say, ten to twenty minutes, less time than it would take you to get ready to go to the picture show, and the epistle is the greatest writing in the world of its length on the matters with which it deals.

The city was situated on the banks of a small river emptying into the sea through a wide mouth, up the river some seven miles from its mouth. This mouth has for centuries now been silted up, so that the site of the old city is miles back from any semblance of a seaport. It was in the path of travel from the far east to the west, the seat of the supreme court of the Roman province of Asia, it having a form of city government which made it independent of all external authority save that of the imperial government at Rome, exercised through the Roman proconsul, the proconsul having to pass through Ephesus on his journeys from ROME to any point in Asia Minor. The town clerk of Ephesus was a dignitary of very great prominence, who was sometimes invested with the dignity of high-priest or pontiff. About all the other prominent features of the city headed up in the temple of Diana, one of the seven wonders of the world, and the greatest temple of religion anywhere in the ancient world. We have not space to describe it, but this temple had become the treasury of the world, for here was stored the golden wealth of the nations. The people of Ephesus were idolaters worshipping the goddess-mother in the guise of Diana. The worship was thoroughly degraded and impure.

To this wealthy, wicked city came Paul (Acts 19: 1-22) and, finding certain disciples of the eloquent Apollos, twelve men who had believed the witness of John the Baptist and had been baptized with his baptism, he taught them the complete gospel of Christ Jesus, which, they having received and they having believed on the Christ, led Paul to baptize them

into the name of the Lord Jesus. When they had so submitted to the Lord, they received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

II. The Great Ministry. Acts 19:8-22. Paul sought out the synagogue of the Jews as was his custom, went in and taught the gospel, that is that Jesus of Nazareth was the Christ of God. Some of the Jews believed Paul and received the Lord, but others disbelieved, and the more they heard Paul, the harder became their hearts against him and the Lord. So Paul withdrew from the synagogue into the school of Tyrannus, where he continued to teach and preach for two whole years.

Before giving a brief outline of Paul's marvelous Epistle, I would write a word concerning the error of incompleteness, as illustrated in the case of the disciples of Apollos who had been baptized into the baptism of John. Here was an excellent man, Apollos, who had not finished his preparation for his work for the Lord, in consequence of which his work was incomplete. Now many are the people who being unprepared in some way leave the biggest understandings of their lives unfinished, incomplete!

III. The Epistle to the Ephesians. It is a brief document, read it, all of it. The reading will require a quarter-hour, and in the course of the reading you will be conning the finest product of the mind of Paul and the writing which has attracted more intelligent study than, perhaps, any other writing of equal length in the New Testament. The divisions of the Epistle are two.

i. Doctrines. 1-3. 1. Believer's Election and Adoption. His election and adoption were from eternity in the mind of God. The believer was "fore-ordained" unto eternal life. Paul says that, and you'd better believe it! "I can't understand that". Of the things you believe and know, how many do you understand? 2. Person and Work of Christ. Chapter 2. Of course, the division is not exact, but mainly this chapter is concerned with what Christ has done for us, or rather, what God has done through Christ for us. 3. The Gentiles and Jews made one in Christ. Paul's commission to preach this truth, establishing it as the exhibition of the unsearchable riches of Christ.

ii. Exemplification of These Doctrines. iv-vi. The unity of the church, the body of Christ. Unity in diversity of gifts, many gifts, but all related and reciprocal in one head and one service. 2. The Spotless church in Christ Jesus. The church as the bride of Christ, the ideal marriage re-

Ministers Participating In Retirement Plan 1946

(A partial list. Watch for others to follow.)
 Jones, Rev. E. C., Enterprise
 Hicks, Rev. E. F., Waynesboro
 Henderson, Rev. Chas. S., Memphis
 Hilbun, Rev. B. S., Soso
 Hilbun, Rev. B. B., Laurel
 Hill, Rev. J. I., Union
 Hill, Rev. D. L., Corinth
 Hodge, Rev. G. C., Biloxi
 Hodge, Rev. T. C., Pontotoc
 Hoff, Rev. L. C., Crystal Springs
 Hogan, Rev. D. A., Harperville
 Hogan, Rev. Wilson, Decatur
 Holcomb, Rev. Rowe, Kosciusko
 Holcomb, Rev. W. L., Forest
 Landrum, Rev. J. W., Canton
 Horne, Rev. D. O., Monticello
 Horner, Dr. Paul G., Meridian
 Horton, Rev. J. T., Columbia
 Hunter, Dr. Wyatt R., McComb
 Hughes, Rev. C. J., Summerland
 Johnston, Rev. A. S., Jackson
 Johnson, Dr. Walter L., Philadelphia
 Jones, Rev. A. B., Potts Camp
 Jones, Rev. C. C., Mendenhall
 Jones, Rev. M. H., Collins
 Jones, Rev. M. P., Box 211, Hazlehurst

Note—Every Mississippi Baptist Pastor should be a participant in the Ministers' Retirement Plan. It is growing all the time. Write Dr. D. A. McCall, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, for application blanks. The names listed above are only a few of our several hundred pastors "who belong." Watch for other member lists to follow.

Requests for Army Scriptures declared surplus by the War Assets Administration have flooded the Office of the Chief of Chaplains, United States Army. Organizations and individuals from all over the country have asked for almost four times the number of copies of Holy Scripture now available. As of this date, the Office of the Chief of Chaplains, United States Army, has received requests for 3,751,037 copies of Army Scriptures. The surplus volumes are pocket size. They include the Protestant King James version, the Roman Catholic Douay version and a version prepared by Jewish authorities. None of the surplus volumes contain the complete Bible. Organizations and individuals interested in obtaining copies of the complete Bible may do so by writing to the following agencies: The American Bible Society, Bible House, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York; The National Catholic Community Service, 1312 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington 5, D. C., The Jewish Welfare Board, 145 East 32nd Street, New York 16, New York.

lation like unto that between Christ and the church. 3. The duty of the Christian to stand steady and unmoved in the storm of temptation, of tribulation, of the testing of patience.

Let us get from the reading a renewed conception of the importance of the church. I mean the little church, in city, town, village, country, to which little church you may belong. In this great writing as elsewhere in His word, God the Almighty, promises more to the church, any church of Christ anywhere, than to any other institution on earth. He gave Christ Jesus, "To be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him that filleth all in all", as in the church, Christ Jesus also broke down the middle wall of partition between Jew and Gentile, and made them all one in Himself.

In each package a Bible or Gospel in Japanese may be sent, with the donor's name and address written on the fly leaf. The post office will not accept any messages other than the printed word and the name and address of the person who sent the package. Japanese Scriptures may be secured from the American Bible Society, New York City 22, or the Moody Press, Chicago 10.

Japan Missionary Requests Baskets

Thanksgiving baskets for Japanese Baptists are possible this year, according to information from Missionary Edwin B. Dozier who is on the high seas bound for Tokyo. Eleven-pound gift packages for relief addressed to Japan will be accepted at the local post office. Three leading Baptists have agreed to serve as distributing agents:

The Rev. Kiyoki Yuya
415 1-chome, Shimo-ochiai
Yodobashi-ku, TOKYO, Japan
President Matsuta Hara
Seinan Jo Gakuin
Itozu, KOKURA, Japan
Professor Sadamoto Kawano
Seinan Gakuin

Nishi-jin machi, FUKUOKA, Japan
Suggestions as to contents of gift packages were made by Mr. Dozier as follows: processed meat or meat stew, two cans of beans or peas, a box of oatmeal or cream of wheat, powdered soups, vitamin tablets, dried fruits, powdered coffee, sweets in air-tight containers, flour or macaroni, a penny box of matches, and similar necessities.

A clothing parcel may include: two tufted towels, warm underclothing for one person, used clothing which is clean and in good repair, sewing needles, spools of black thread and white thread, straight pins, a comb and hairpins, toothbrushes, bars of soap, lead pencils, tablet or notebook, wool yarn and needles, and the like.

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• Southern Baptist Foreign Missions •

M. TERON RANKIN,
Executive Secretary

E. C. ROUTH,
Editor, THE COMMISSION

The Moslem World quotes Paul W. Harrison of Arabia as saying: "In the desert, men still face Mecca when they pray, but when they eat and when they work and when they go to school, they face Washington, D. C. When men ride in motor cars they pray the same prayers they used to pray, but they do not think the same thoughts . . . Before our eyes the idols of centuries pass, and new idols rise from their ruins. Now is the time to carry to those men and women the picture of Jesus Christ. Right now is our opportunity."

Recently we read again the story of Brother Teixeira, a former Roman Catholic priest in Brazil who was converted from Roman Catholicism by reading a copy of the New Testament in the Latin Vulgate which had fallen into his hands. He was converted and began seeking for a church which would correspond to the church described in the New Testament. He came to an evangelical congregation in Recife, not Baptist, and after studying their doctrines and church organization, said, "Your salvation is like the New Testament, but your baptism is not." So he did not join them. He continued the search until he found the little American Baptist Church in Santa Barbara, made up of voluntary exiles who went to Brazil immediately following the War Between the States. And that discovery brought joy to his heart and ended his quest. About that time the Bagbys landed in Brazil and he became their teacher and fellow-worker.

Mr. E. P. Buxton, treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board, reported at the November meeting of the Board that up to November 12 the total funds received by the Board for Relief and Rehabilitation totaled \$3,555,652.33. Most of the states have already passed their goals, but for many months and years to come there will be need for relief offerings, both in the Orient and also in Europe.

Plans are already being made for the meeting of the Baptist World Congress in Copenhagen, Denmark, July 29 to August 3, 1947. A general outline of the program has already been released by Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance. Dr. J. W. Marshall is working out plans for the trip and many Southern Baptists have already indicated their purpose to attend that meeting. A few who face a tight summer schedule will arrange to fly to Copenhagen, but the larger group going to the meeting will cross the Atlantic by steamer and after the Congress will visit other countries in Europe with special attention to mission work in the various areas.

At this time of the year when the Every-Member Canvass is being completed in many churches, we should not forget that EVERY member of every Baptist church, whatever his financial condition, should be given an opportunity to share in the budget of the church to which he belongs. Rev. T. B. Lackey, president of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention last year, tells the story that the committee on the Every-Member Canvass in a cer-

tain church was about to pass by a house in which lived a poor family, several members of which were members of the church. But the pastor insisted that they should be visited. A blessing came to that family when given an opportunity to have a part in the Lord's work, however small the offering.

In the first chapter of his letter to the church at Rome, Paul wrote: "So as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also." Note that phrase, "at Rome also." Never in the history of the world has there been a more corrupt court or a more despotic government than at Rome during those early centuries in the Christian era, but Paul was able to write several years later from Roman imprisonment, "The saints in Caesar's household salute you." In these days when questions are being raised about Russia, let us substitute Russia for Rome: "In Russia also." "God so loved the world" includes every nation. We are under the command to make disciples of all nations. The gospel is still the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, wherever men live.

Missionary Edwin Dozier arrived in Tokyo October 31. Other Southern Baptist missionaries will be sent to Japan when permits become available.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Hart, who have served many years in Chile, retire from active missionary service December 1. They will make their home in Brandenburg, Kentucky. On November 1, Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Christie of Brazil became missionaries emeritus. Other missionaries who are also retiring effective January 1 are: Miss Pearl Caldwell of China, Mrs. A. L. Dunstan of Brazil, the Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Gallimore of China, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Muirhead of China, Mrs. W. E. Sallee of China, and Miss Annie Sandlin of China.

Miss Mary-Ellen Wooten, accompanied by Miss Martha Tanner, left November 8 by air for Nigeria. Miss Wooten was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board at the April, 1946, meeting and will be located at the Baptist girls' school at Abeokuta. Miss Tanner, who was appointed at the October meeting, goes to Ibadan as contract secretary.

Miss Cathryn Smith left Miami October 10 by air for Recife, where she will be assigned to her permanent post of duty. The Rev. and Mrs. J. Ivey Miller left New Orleans October 31 by air for Santiago, Chile. Their permanent station will be announced later.

Effective November 1, air mail postage to foreign countries was greatly reduced. The rate to South America is 10 cents per half ounce; to Europe 15 cents; and to Asia and Africa 25 cents. Air mail service to Japan has not been resumed. A new domestic rate of five cents per ounce applies to Canada, Hawaii, Mexico, Cuba, and Alaska.



REV. JAMES C. TAYLOR

West Point Calls Taylor As Pastor

Rev. James C. Taylor, a native of Florence, Mississippi, has accepted the call to the First Baptist Church, West Point. He began active pastorate there November 1, 1946. Rev. Taylor graduated at Mississippi College in the class of '35 and at the New Orleans Theological Seminary with the Master of Theology degree in '38. He remained at the Seminary for graduate work until 1940.

In 1943, he left the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Bay Minette, Alabama to enter the Naval Chaplaincy. After three years in the chaplaincy, he reentered the Seminary at New Orleans and completed requirements for the degree of Doctor of Theology.

Rev. and Mrs. Taylor were honored with a reception by the members of the church Thursday night, November 7. At this time, they were formally welcomed by the church and by the pastors of the other churches of the city.

LOYD SHELTON OBSERVES THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Pastor Loyd Shelton is concluding the third year of his pastorate at Crowder and Tocowa churches with a fine record. At Crowder, a total of 200 additions have been received, 112 being by profession of faith. The B.T.U. enrollment has increased from 39 to 120, while Sunday school has grown from 80 to above 200. Butane gas has been installed on the church property, and the pastorum enlarged, and free of debt. Gifts to all causes reached above \$10,000 in each of the last two years. The building fund has grown to approximately \$10,000, with the plant about two thirds completed. This will be modern in every respect, to care for all activities. A Brotherhood has been organized, the Board of Deacons increased to eight, and a program of three quarters instead of half time has been going well.

At Tocowa, which has fourth time preaching, a new building costing \$4,500 has been erected debt free, and a budget system used by the church for the first time. Tocowa is an EVERY FAMILY church, as is Crowder, and both congregations have given the pastor raises in salary. Pastor and people anticipate a greater period of service in the days ahead.

Mrs. Jessie Crumney, of Union Church, Panola County, greatly aided the Record in getting over the 55,000 mark by sending in a list of thirty-three subscriptions.

Analysis Stresses Widows Plan Needs Pastors Urged To Provide Protection

According to the 1945 annual of the Southern Baptist Convention, 181 Baptist preachers died in the last 12 months period it covered. Only 35 of the number were members of the Ministers Retirement Plan.

However, of these 35, three were in their thirties when they died, four in their forties, 12 in their fifties, 12 in the sixties, and four in their seventies. All 35 were in active service when death came.

These 35 men who died left 33 widows. These widows received from our Board a total of \$7,550.00. That was the sum they were due to receive under the terms of the Retirement Plan.

Had the Widows Plan been operating even one year prior to these deaths, and had these 35 men been participating members, these 33 widows would now be due to receive, not \$7,550.00 in all, but \$7,000.00 a year as long as they live.

Pastors should send in applications to enter the Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan with one months dues (1 1/2%) of one month's salary) at once.

Any desiring help or information about getting in the plan are asked to call on Dr. B. B. Hilburn, Field Representative at 708 Manning Avenue, Hattiesburg, or through Dr. D. A. McCall at Baptist Headquarters in Jackson.

Gulf Coast Has Greatest Year Gave \$14,614 To Missions

In a recent letter Rev. W. S. Allen, pioneer worker in the coast country, declares that the Gulf Coast Association just held was the best in the history of the work during the time he has lived in that section. The reports were all good, and reveal fine progress. The following summary shows the gains made:

Baptisms during the year 185; other additions, 432; the total membership reported 5,063, which is a net increase of 371; Sunday School enrollment, 2,476; B.T.U. enrollment 527; W.M.U. enrollment 514; Total gifts to all local work, \$86,686; to all missions \$14,614; total value of all church property \$389,000.

One new church was organized in August and received into membership in the Association. The new church is known as Big Ridge Baptist Church of Biloxi. The pastor is Rev. R. L. Vaughn of Ocean Springs.

Rev. W. T. Miller of the East Side Church Gulfport was elected Moderator and Rev. W. A. Trotman of Long Beach Associate Moderator.

Rev. W. S. Allen was re-elected Clerk-Treasurer.

(Editor's Note: A record like this is a thrilling proof of the good accomplished when the Mississippi Baptists help in strengthening the work on our Southern borders. The report is a challenge to all who have helped promote the work in that area.)

The Baptist Record is rich in friends. Recently Mrs. J. O. Hill, treasurer of Duncan Hill Church, Calhoun County, sent in a list of thirty new subscriptions.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary . . . Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: Joe Abrams, Louise Hill, Clarice Conner, Alene Johnson

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of **USE CUT W. DOUGLAS HUGDINS**. First Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss., is to bring the closing message of the Associational Officers Conference, being held December 2nd at First Baptist Church, Jackson. All day, plans are to be discussed as to what we need to do and how best to do it, and Dr. Hudgins comes at the close of the afternoon session to challenge us with the appeal "Let's Do The Job". This will be a fitting climax for the days program. We are expecting a large attendance, hoping that every association will be well represented. We really have a job to do for the Master. A job of training His army. He has assigned the churches this task and the churches, through the associations have set up an organization to which they have assigned the task of helping the churches to do the job, so Let's Do the Job.

PROGRAM FOR DEC. 2 CONFERENCE

1947 THEME: The Book of Books
Aim: To Deepen Our Appreciation of God's Word and Strengthen Our Loyalty to Its Teachings.
2. To Promote the Development of a Bible-Centered Church Training Program in Every Baptist Church.

A.M.

10:00—Special Worship Service—Luther A. Harrison
10:15—"The Other 700"—Auber J. Wilds
10:40—"I Would Like to Know"—Maines Rawls, Nashville
1. How to Organize the work in all the churches
2. How to use the Training Union Magazine, and the Associational Bulletin.
3. How to make and use the Associational Calendar of Activities.
4. How to make and use the Associational Survey
5. How to use the Associational Officer's Plan Book
6. How to enlist the larger churches in promoting extension work
7. How to lead a conference
8. How to use associational officers
9. How to group the churches in an association
10. How best to promote the plan and purpose of the Dec. 6 Meeting
11. How to enlist our part of the 2,000,000 goal of Daily Bible Readers
12. How do I organize my association
13. How do I start the work in my association
11:50—Recognitions and announcements
12:10—Our Training Opportunity for 1947—Versil Crenshaw, Nashville
12:40—Lunch
2:00—Special Worship Service—Mrs. Lewis Yarbrough
2:15—Six Department Conferences
3:30—What Are Your Plans—Auber J. Wilds
4:00—"Let's Do The Job"—W. Douglas Hudgins
4:30—Adjourn

Talk about thrills! Twenty-three older Intermediates sat in banquet in the hotel dining room at Booneville Monday night November 4th. Rev. L. G. Sansing, their pastor is their leader, and Mrs. J. W. McHaffey their sponsor. This was a "Pulling Together" banquet. Your state Training Union secretary was privileged to

speak to the group and has nothing but praise for this group and their leaders.

BR PEEKING AT PREACHERS

Dr. Wm. Potter

A reporter at the press table certainly sees the sights. . . and what SIGHTS. . . that lone fellow in the balcony must enjoy his own company. . . women's hats (?) make a definite contrast with the bald heads and gray hairs. . . wall flowers. . . come on and find a pew, preachers. . . the red carnation in Editor Goodrich's lapel . . . hmmmmmm! . . . Mrs. Jones sales appeal and wonder why she got a laugh when she mentioned a book called, "Preaching Without Notes". . . hmmmmmm! . . . H. L. Martin's convincing voice. . . "it's a good idea to think before you talk" said President Cox 'thinking out loud'. . . there comes beloved Dr. Hewitt. . . makes it look more natural, now . . . Goodrich says (to the messengers) "if you don't receive your Record—complain to the postmaster—not the Record". . . parliamentarian par excellence is Meridian's Pastor Cox. . . all eyes and ears and hearts are opened to Pastor Rogers and the convention sermon. . . it was mighty and moving. . . that Crystal Springs quartette would make any pastor proud, Brother Odle. . . Blue Mountain girls of the choir in striking black and white. . . and indulging in personal prerogatives their 'Hallaleujah Chorus' was IT. . . and what church wouldn't want a choir like that. . . look at that preacher leaning over the balcony railing like a kid. . . how, under heaven, can that preacher on the front seat be so sound asleep. . . the State Missions report and speakers "hit the spot". . . take a bow, "Scotchie". . . after hearing an dseeing the Baptist Hospital nurses' choir it is easy to understand why the place is filled up all the time. . . and can they sing. . . especially moving was "Holy Spirit Breathe on Me". . . only 50 present as the gavel rapped the pulpit Wednesday morning at 830. . . Patsy Jones, the little blonde with the pink dress, from the orphanage caught my eye—and heart. . . Dr. Cox said. . . 'Orphanage is as out of date as a Model T Ford' as he really spoke up about changing the name. . . let's do it. . . A poll was taken, unofficially and out of an almost capacity first floor audience, 4 opposed such action. . . why couldn't it have been a motion instead of a suggestion. . . wish I had wavy black hair like Claud Bowen. . . in fact I wish I had some hair, period. . . listen to those ticket sellers for seminary 'feeds'. . . wish I had gone to Southern Seminary. . . their breakfast was only a buck. . . ours was one and a quarter. . . quality, I guess. . . Norman Cox and his tribute to our hospital supt. and his marvelous plea for all institutions without preferential basis. . . KILROY WAS HERE. . . he got one vote for president. . . how that man gets around. . . didn't know he was a Baptist. . . tears from Supt. Gilfoyle as she spoke. . . lots of red coats among the fair sex. . . guess my wife's is still in style after all these years. . . only foolin' honey. . . I call her angel 'cause she's always harpin' on something and generally up in the air. . . ouch! . . . Prof. Shepard of N.O.B.T.S. sitting in the

balcony and I betcha' he's lookin' over his luncheon speech notes. . . boy! if that gavel ever slips off the pulpit. . . preachers YAWN in church, too. . . wonder why someone suggested that we sing "The Fight Is On" just before the report of the Committee on Review of the Convention Board Report. . . but, you got fooled didn't you brother. . . brethren I still insist that the ties are VERY loud this year. . . Duke McCall explaining difference between a bishop of one denomination and the New Testament version of a 'bishop'. . . said, "In our church everybody tells the 'bishop' what to do". . . end of quote. . . period. . . eloquent oratory, earnest pleading, mighty message from Mississippi born Dr. Duke. . . there's Dr. P. I. Lipsey as interested as any young pastor at his first convention. . . brethren it is quite discourteous to be 'slipping out' when you think the next speaker might be uninteresting. . . they are denominational servants and a part of Kingdom work. . . and just as important as your own pastorate or problems. . . 3:45 p.m. Wednesday afternoon and five preachers SLEEPING in the first five rows of pews. . . Mrs. Jones and the Book Store exhibit get the lion's share of attention. . . and rightly so. . . and here is Wednesday night. . . Mississippi College Choir are superb. . . first floor crowded before 7. . . Hazel Chisholm and her incomparable music. . . congregation singing "Saved" and George Gay whispers to me. . . "you won't find singing anywhere in the world like that". . . and I say 'Amen'. . . Prayers for unity. . . fervent powerful prayers that God answered in THIS convention. . . standing room only. . . and the capacity audience is in an attitude of worship. . . the offering for the janitor force of the first church. . . Mississippi's own Dr. and Mrs. H. P. McCormack, missionaries to Nigeria, called to the platform by "Bill" Marshall. . . the doctor said, "I am my wife's husband". . . ain't we all. . . Mississippi College co-eds sitting on aisle steps of balcony. . . no standing room now. . . Lee always packs 'em in. . . new convention proxy up thar in the balcony, too. . . how any preacher can "doze" when Bill Marshall is pouring out his heart is beyond me. . . there's Pastor and Mrs. Hudgins. . . brother, if Marshall didn't stir their hearts I don't know who did. . . and the hearts were ready for the inescapable brillance of Bellvue's Lee. . . and he HELD them to the end. . . tears of grace. . . will we ever forget. . . that deathbed scene. . . "I heard you preach lotta times. . . Thursday morning and a corporals guard at 9 a.m. . . couldn't stand it any longer. . . had to ask Comptre if we could sing "Amazing Grace". . . it wouldn't have been a Baptist meeting without it. . . too late for the regular copy, but, Dr. Purrer's warning. . . forcing a possibility of reduced income. . . seek to lead our people all that we can. . . and let's not let our institutions go in debt. . . wise sagacity from the Oxford pastor. . . and I would certainly not want to be the last speaker on the program. . . poor Brother Benton. . . but he was graceful. . . and the remedy is already in the making with the time of next year's convention. . . and I was elected to the shortest and easiest job in the state. . . secretary to the Pastor's and Laymen's Conference which now is out of a job. . . unless somebody else, like the Brotherhood convention, takes us in. . . got any resolutions for next year, brethren. . . and it was fun while it lasted. . . but this is "30" period.



NEW MUSIC STUDY COURSE PLAN ANNOUNCED

One of the most helpful moves made by any agency of the Southern Baptist Convention in many years has been taken by the Sunday School Board in setting up a new Music Study Course. The Music Department of the Board, headed by B. B. McKinney, is leading out in the development of this course.

A committee composed of Dr. McKinney, Dr. J. O. Williams, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, all of the Sunday School Board, J. D. Riddle of Texas, E. L. Carnett of Texas, C. A. Holcomb of Florida, Mrs. B. W. Nininger of Arkansas, Luther Harrison of Mississippi, Ira C. Prosser of Oklahoma and W. Hines Sims of Tennessee, has been working out this project for many months. Final drafts of the plan were completed at Ridgecrest in August. Then it was presented to the Curriculum Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. This group gave its unanimous approval.

The Sunday School Board has always recognized the importance of music in the worship of God, teaching of the Bible, and training for Christian service. For many years the Board has published song books and hymnals.

More than a year ago the Board offered to cooperate with the state boards in promoting a music program in the churches. A further step is being taken in offering a course of study to the churches, which will be prepared and presented as rapidly as possible and as is consistent with good judgment.

MUSIC STUDY COURSE

- I. Music Fundamentals
 1. Beginner Theory (book by Luther Harrison—now in mimeograph form) or Advanced Theory (by Ira C. Prosser—manuscript ready by Jan. 1)
 2. Hymn Playing (by Mrs. J. D. Riddle—now in mimeograph form)
 3. Technique of Conducting (by E. L. Carnett—now in mimeograph form)
 4. Class Voice (by Campbell Wray—Manuscript ready this year)
- II. Music Appreciation
 1. Let Us Sing (by McKinney and Graves—book in stock)
 2. Music and The Scriptures (by I. E. Reynolds—book in stock)
 3. Hymnology (by B. B. McKinney—in process of writing)
- III. Music Ministry
 1. Promoting Church Music (by Mrs. B. W. Nininger—manuscript in hands of publishers)
 2. Instrumental Music (by Hines Sims—manuscript promised by January)
 3. Methods and Materials for Graded Choirs (by Clifford A. Holcomb—January)
- IV. Integrating Courses
 1. Sunday School Book (to be selected by head of S.S. Dept.)
 2. Training Union Book (to be selected by head of Training Union Dept.)
 3. Doctrinal Book (to be selected by heads of departments concerned)

Certain awards in the form of certificates and diplomas are proposed for those who take these courses.



Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

WE'RE SORRY

Copy for our department column was supplied for the issue of November 21, but was left out.

NEW BROTHERHOOD

Morgan City, Leflore County, Rev. C. J. Olander, pastor, reports a new Brotherhood. Sam A. Thompson is president. The other officers are: J. W. Carr, membership vice-president; W. B. Moore, program vice-president; S. W. Cockrell (Route 2, Itta Bena) activities vice-president; P. M. Kimbrough, secretary-treasurer. We give a special welcome to the men of Morgan City. They are leaders in their section of the state.

TWO ORGANIZATIONS BEGUN

First, Louisville, Rev. W. L. Day, pastor; and First Brandon, Rev. E. N. Sullivan, pastor, have just held very promising initial meetings. Officers have not yet been elected; but nominating committees are at work and will report to meetings to be held soon.

LATE DISTRICT MEETING REPORTS

District Seven had a very fine meeting with the First Baptist Church, Biloxi, on October 31. Pastor G. C. Hodge and Brotherhood president O. H. Longcoy, were ideal hosts, as were a large number of others who helped entertain the gathering. W. Horace Headrick was elected president (again); O. H. Longcoy, Biloxi (140 White Ave.) was named vice-president; and Lonnie Meador, Laurel, was reelected secretary. Twelve pastors and three chaplains attended. Fifteen churches were represented; and total attendance of men was 122. The meal was excellent!

District Five met with the first Baptist Church, Columbus. Pastor J. D. Franks could not be present; but Robert Lea, of the First Church Staff, and Jim Brown, president of the local Brotherhood were most hospitable. Boyd Armstrong, associational missionary, was very helpful. Attendance was 42.

John Wilson, West Point, was elected president; Dr. Gray Miley, Starkville, was named vice-president and Bob Leshe, Columbus, was made secretary-treasurer. The pastors' advisory committee named is Dr. J. D. Franks, Columbus; Rev. J. L. Boyd, Shuqualak; and Dr. J. D. Ray, Starkville.

District Four was most delightfully entertained by the First Church, Tupelo. Dr. Harmon Holcomb, pastor, Brotherhood president J. G. Martin, and a host of helpers provided unsurpassed entertainment, including a barbecue chicken dinner!

J. E. R. Saunders, Okolona, was elected president. He succeeded president Rev. Winfred Moore, Tupelo, who had done outstanding work as district president for the year preceding. Rev. Gordon Sansing, Booneville, was elected vice-president; and Rev. Clarence G. Palmer, Fulton, was named secretary-treasurer. Rev. George Gay, Ripley, Rev. J. B. Ray, Corinth, and Rev. C. W. Thompson, Aberdeen, were named on the pastors' advisory committee. One hundred twenty men attended this meeting.

District Three met with the first Church, Water Valley, Rev. W. C. Howard, pastor. Total attendance was 42. Pilgrim's Rest (Panola) had thirteen men at the meeting, although they have only twelve members. They

brought the entire enrollment and one visitor! N. R. Paschal, Grenada, was elected president, succeeding Dr. Ira B. Seale, of Holly Springs, whose health would not permit him to continue in office. J. A. Barnett, Oakland, was reelected vice-president; and L. R. White, Batesville, was elected secretary-treasurer. Pastors elected to compose the advisory committee are: Rev. H. H. Aultman, Holly Springs, Rev. G. E. Wiley, Grenada, and Rev. W. C. Howard, Water Valley.

District Two met with the First Church, Greenville. This meeting was a fitting climax to the series of eight conferences held over the state. Fourteen churches were represented; and a total of 120 men registered. A bountiful meal was served by the host church. Dr. E. D. Elliott, pastor, and C. L. Morris, Brotherhood president, gave us the finest entertainment possible.

J. Wesley Miller, Rolling Fork, was continued as president of the district. John D. Davis, Greenville, was made vice-president; and Rev. Dan Morton, Catchings, was elected secretary-treasurer. Pastors placed on the advisory committee are: Dr. E. D. Elliott, Greenville; Dr. Chester Quarles, Leeland; and Rev. Van Hardin, Rolling Fork.

Conference Summary

We look back upon our second series of district meetings with great thankfulness. Eight meetings were held. Attendance averaged 108 men to the meeting, or a total of 864 for all meetings. A full staff of officers, including a three-member-pastors' advisory committee, was elected for all districts. Interest was high in practically all meetings. Plans were laid for greatly expanding the work. A total of 110 churches were represented in the meetings. Many of these do not have Brotherhoods; and we confidently look for a large number of new organizations as a result of our conferences. Our missionary speakers, Rev. T. B. Hawkins, Argentina, and Rev. R. Elton Johnson, Brazil, greatly challenged our men. Our own George W. Shroeder, of Memphis, was a great blessing in all his messages and contacts. The Lord has richly blessed our work!

NEW BROTHERHOOD

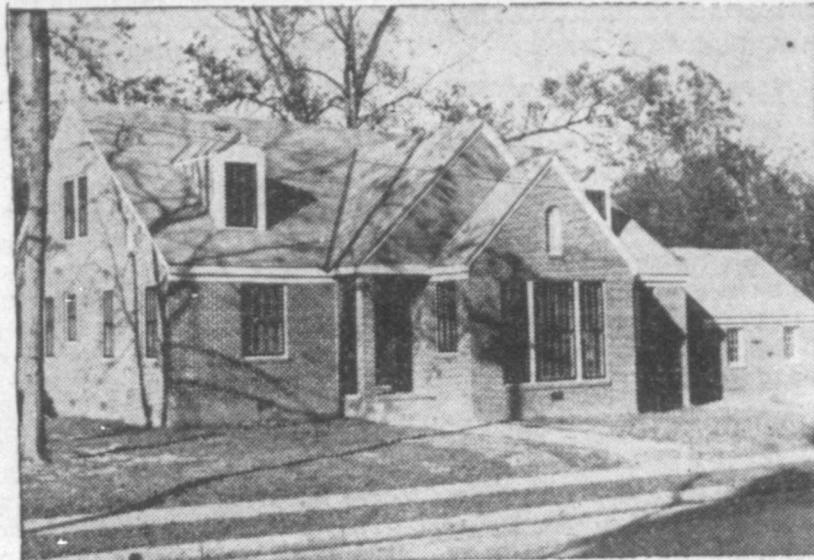
Morgan City, Leflore County, reports a new Brotherhood. We extend a glad welcome to this our newest member. The pastor is Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City. Officers of the Morgan City group are: president, Sam A. Thompson; membership vice-president, J. W. Carr; program vice-president, W. B. Moore, all of Morgan City; activities vice-president, S. W. Cockrell, Route 2, Itta Bena; secretary-treasurer, P. M. Kimbrough, Morgan City.

Due to lack of space we have been unable to give reports of meetings of district Brotherhoods in districts Two, Three, Four, Five and Seven. Reports on these districts will be given as soon as space is available.

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SHARE WILLINGLY! SHARE GLADLY! SHARE JOYFULLY! SHARE GENEROUSLY! With the boys and girls of the ORPHANAGE. Make a liberal gift through your Church sometime during the month of NOVEMBER for their support.

Canton 1st Church Completes Modern Pastorium Is Part Of Long Range Program To Meet Growing Needs



The First Baptist Church of Canton has set a lofty and impressive precedent for other churches of the state and southland in the beautiful new Pastor's Home which has just been occupied by their pastor and family, Dr. John W. Landrum.

Begun under the ministry of Rev. C. Z. Holland and completed just two months after the arrival of Dr. Landrum, the home boasts living, dining, and breakfast rooms; kitchen and back porch; a complete study of which any preacher would well be proud; four bedrooms and three baths; breezeway; garage; laundry, complete with automatic laundry equipment and servant's lavatory. The one and

one-half building, of brick veneer construction, boasts hardwood floors, tile baths, and inlaid linoleum kitchen floor and cabinet tops. The grounds have adequate concrete walks and driveway.

The new home is part of a long range program of expansion to meet the ever-growing needs in Canton. In addition to the church building, the old home, as well as another building, are having to be used to house departments of the Sunday school, which is averaging all-time highs in attendance.

There are many other churches which could well follow the example of this great old church in "Meeting Needs for the Master."

New Orleans Alumni Name Tullos As Head

Dr. R. A. Tullos of Greenwood was named president of the New Orleans Seminary Alumni at the recent meeting of the group in Jackson. Rev. Virgil Ratcliff of Hattiesburg was named vice-president; Mrs. F. M. Barnes of Newton, secretary; Rev. Howard Courtney, chorister; Mrs. Howard Courtney, pianist and Rev. J. D. Walker, reporter.

The group enjoyed a breakfast together, at which Dr. John Shepard of New Orleans was the speaker. Plans were made for furthering the interest of the school in Mississippi.

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The members of Parkway church, Jackson, have extended a call to the Dr. G. Norman Price of Indianola, to become their pastor. A favorable reply is expected soon.

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The members of Stringer Church elected the Rev. Simmie Nix as pastor for the coming year. The Sunday school is progressing under the direction of Superintendent Powell.—Reporter.

Rev. W. E. Butler, Corinth Church, Kemper County, recently sent six new subscriptions. Such friends have greatly aided the Baptist Record.

HAZLEHURST MARCHES ON

The progress being made by the Hazlehurst Baptist Church is the source of great joy to its entire membership.

The summary of last year's work as reported to the association shows a total of \$25,565 contributed to all causes with \$8,707 given to missions. Of the amount given to missions, \$4,000 contributed to the Cooperative Program. The budget this year calls for \$8,000 for the Cooperative Program.

During the church year 94 were received into the membership of the church which gave a net increase in membership of 64. Thus far this year 52 members have been received with 32 of them coming for baptism. That makes a total of 146 additions to the church in the past 13 months.

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The Home Economics Club of Blue Mountain College has elected the following officers for the session 1946-47: President, Lilly Frances Hood, Houlka; vice president, Fong May Wing, Jonesboro; secretary and treasurer, Nan Burnette, Memphis, Tenn.; reporter, Helen Gooch, Memphis, Tenn.; program chairmen, Mildred Rea, Sherman and Ann Summers, Olive Branch.

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Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

HOW USE LAST YEAR?

Use last year? Yes, surely. Well, how?

By making a careful check of the various items in a good Sunday school program and see just where the greatest weaknesses were.

Look for weaknesses? Yes, indeed. They may be seen without much looking, but it is well to carefully search for them in order to know how well they were developed.

Then, after this checking is done, the officers and teachers are informed as to the standing on these matters. If we make much advance it will be done by keeping in touch with the points that are most vital. If mistakes and errors were made, they can be discovered through careful analysis from time to time in the workers' meetings.

Then What?

After the many parts of the work are checked to discover the standing on them, the plans may then be made for improving the weak points. We grow in the work by watching the weaknesses and constantly striving to improve them. Discover and improve is the best method of building bigger and better Sunday schools. Discover the weaknesses and try to improve them. That's the formula for success.

Of course, we may discover weaknesses and do nothing about them, but that will get us no where fast. The point is to improve them.

The various standards—class, department and school—are excellent for this very purpose. We shall be glad to mail them on request. Remember, standard units are better.

GOOD RECORDS MADE

From information that has recently come from the Nashville office, we find that of the states with 1500 or more churches Mississippi was fourth last year in the number of standard schools, and was fourth in the per cent of schools that were standard.

Also, of the same states, only two had a higher per cent of churches reporting Sunday school training than did Mississippi.

We are grateful to all leaders for the good work that made possible these splendid records. Mississippi Sunday school leaders made them and we are glad to extend congratulations to them.

DECEMBER 6 IS PLANNING DAY

Friday, December 6, in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, we will have our statewide planning program for 1947.

This is sponsored jointly by the Sunday School Board and the State Sunday School Department. It is for the noble purpose of bringing together all our associational Sunday school officers to make plans for 1947. We want every such officer present for that day, and also the prospective officers.

The Sunday School Board will pay three cents per mile each way for as many as two cars from each association to bring these officers for that meeting. So, let's work hard and make good plans to get the most out of that day's work. Each associational superintendent should make plans for getting his officers and prospective ones to that meeting.

The time is Friday, December 6, and the place is Jackson First church.

GOOD GRADING NEEDED

Even though we have been grading Sunday schools for a long time, there is much overlapping in the divisions made by many schools.

The best work will naturally come about through a good grading system. Sunday schools profit as much from grading as other schools. Grading any thing is on the basis of difference, and the greater the difference the greater the need for grading. That's why we grade potatoes, corn, apples, wheat, etc., namely, because it is different. If there were no difference there would be no need for grading.

Therefore, Sunday school leaders need watch carefully as to this point. Three things will greatly help us to properly grade, and keep graded, our schools. They are: proper classification, observance of Annual Promotion Day, the last Sunday in September, and good records. If a school will do these three things well, it will be well graded.

The need for grading is because we can better reach, teach, and win the people. The responsibility is rather definitely located. One of the great advantages of organization is the location and distribution of responsibility. Most of us are about as lazy as circumstances will permit. So, if we can definitely locate specific work for our people, more will be done and more will be done for them through the doing of it.

BR THE COUNTRY CHURCH— ITS UNCHANGED MISSION IN A CHANGING WORLD

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developing new ways of meeting needs, else they perish. Our country churches are faced with this imperative demand of changing their pattern of methods in improved teaching, preaching, service. One of the most important of these changes is from part-time to full-time pastoral ministry. No more encouraging sign of the vitality of the country churches in Mississippi has been reported than that nearly 100 rural churches now have a pastor located on the field giving his individual services to one pastorate. Thus the demand is being successfully met for better teaching and training, more fruitful pastoral service, and more vital evangelism."

In his concluding remarks, Dr. Dobbins said, "What of the future of the country church and its God-given mission?" Answering, he said, "This will depend upon whether it becomes victor or victim. Too long the rural church has been a victim—of denominational neglect, of ignorance, of its possibilities, of fatalistic pessimism, of ecclesiastical disparagement, of financial feebleness, of a deadly inferiority complex. Just as the rural community is coming into a new day of prosperity and significance, so may the country church come into its own as undergirding with its message of Redemption and its ethical idealism this vast movement for a better farm life and a larger place of the rural people in the affairs of the nation.

No longer need the rural minister feel that he has a stigma upon him because of his call to serve in the country church; rather, he should feel that his is the richest opportunity of any among his brethren, as he gives consecrated and competent



REV. H. L. COURTNEY

leadership to a vital program of preaching, and teaching, and service, and soul-winning to a vital country church meeting the deep needs of humble hearts in a changing world with the unchanging Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ".

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MRS. S. C. RAY

As we, the Durant Baptist WMS, meet at the church this Monday afternoon, November the eighteenth, for our Mission Study, we miss the voice of our dear friend, Mrs. Ray, who left us last Wednesday to "serve in an upper room." She planned and was to present the afternoon program.

As we sit together, going forward with her program, we are achingly aware of her absence—yet, her spirit is felt among us.

We have no adequate words to express the tributes we would pay her, but enshrined within our hearts, too deep and too tender for utterance, is a true appreciation of her. We know we have lost a rare leader and teacher,

Courtney New Beacon Pastor

Members of the Beacon Baptist church in Laurel are welcoming their new pastor, Rev. H. L. Courtney who has come to them from Calvary Baptist church at Bogalusa, Louisiana. He is a native of Hattiesburg, and received his college training at Southeastern in Hammond, Louisiana. He and Mrs. Courtney attended the Baptist Theological Seminary at New Orleans. The new pastor has held pastorates at Kentwood, Louisiana where he led in the building of the new Bethel Baptist church and Doyle, Louisiana where he led in the building of a new pastor's home. While pastor at Calvary, he led in the building of a new pastor's home, a \$60,000 auditorium and educational building.

Plans are under way for immediate expansion at Beacon Church in the way of an educational building to take care of the over-flow crowds. Rev. Courtney succeeds Rev. W. R. Storie as pastor. Mississippi Baptists will extend a warm welcome to the new pastor and his wife.

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Pastor C. M. Day reports that prayer meeting attendance at Durant is increasing. The attendance on Wednesday night, November 6 was 85.

who was beautiful in her unselfishness and willingness to extend a helping hand.

God was abundantly good to lend this noble Christian character through the years. She lives on now in our hearts and memories to inspire and encourage us, as we attempt to take up the work her hands have laid down.

MRS. W. R. HENRY,
MRS. J. C. ROBERTSON,
MRS. C. W. MYERS.

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QUOTA REACHED

With the receipt of contributions from Blue Mountain and Mississippi College, our quota for the furnishing of the BSU Room at the University of Shanghai has virtually been reached. Although our Mississippi deadline for this campaign was set for November 26, I feel sure our Chinese friends could use our financial help anytime, the sooner the better, of course. Therefore, any BSU groups

which would like to have a part in helping the University of Shanghai BSU from now on, send me your contributions and I shall be glad to forward them on.

Schools participating in the campaign just ended are State College, Ole Miss, Jones Junior, MSCW, Northwest Junior, Blue Mountain, and Mississippi College.

CHESTER AT CALVARY

This week our beloved Chester Swor is in a meeting at Calvary Church, Jackson. I need not even suggest to students that they hear him. They have been and will be there in great numbers. Let all of us pray for the closing days of this meeting, though. One thought that occurs to me is that at Calvary Church this week two of the most Christlike persons I know are together: Claud Bowen and Chester Swor. Surely God will greatly bless their efforts and the efforts of our great sister church membership.

REMEMBER THESE

Next week, beginning Sunday, is Religious Focus Week at Blue Mountain. Then the next week quite a few of us secretaries will gather in Nashville for a refresher course in secretarialy.

Let us remember these events in our prayers. Also, students should now be prayerfully planning for "Student Night at Christmas" programs in their home churches during the coming holidays. Then there are other things to remember such as our Spring Retreat next April. In the midst of all, during this Thanksgiving season, let us be deeply grateful for God's wondrous blessings.

HEARD AT CONVENTION

Those of you who were at the Wednesday night session of our recent State Baptist Convention remember this piece of sage and, I believe, timely advice: "Let's quit getting our intellectual exercise by jumping at conclusions." Missionary-to-Africa McCormick said it.

MISCELLANEA

An infected throat recently prevented my daily peregrinations even down to the Baptist Building. Eva Lots, with the help of a doctor or two, and all with the direction of the Lord got me straightened out sans ill effects. . . . Don't believe I've mentioned here my estimate of the Leadership Banquet of First Church, Jackson, planned and promulgated by Ruby Nell Walden and numerous others recently. It was the best I've ever attended. . . . Dr. Frank Leavell contracted a respiratory infection while in Jackson for the Convention and was unable to appear on the program as scheduled. Last word was he had about recovered in a Memphis hospital. He and I enjoyed participating in one of Mississippi College's chapels while he was here. . . . One personality who apparently made a special hit with the brethren at the Convention was Dr. I. E. Rouse, new president of Woman's College. Dr. Rouse is BSU-minded, I'm happy to report. . . . Jackson has six colleges with a total enrollment of over 1500 students, approximately 500 of whom are Baptists and at least 50 of whom are unsaved. Three of these schools have a BSU;



Dr. G. NORMAN PRICE

Dr. Price Accepts Pastorate Parkway Baptist Church

Dr. G. Norman Price, pastor of the First church of Indianola, has resigned in order to accept the pastorate of Parkway church, Jackson. He succeeds Dr. W. A. Bell who recently accepted the pastorate of the First Church, Hattiesburg.

Dr. Price, who has served the church at Indianola for nearly three and a half years, will assume his duties at Parkway on December 1.

The new pastor is a native of Paducah, Kentucky, was educated at Georgetown college in Kentucky and at the Southern Baptist Theological seminary in Louisville, Ky. For three years before coming to Indianola he was a teacher in the department of religion at Meredith college, Raleigh, North Carolina, and both during his student days and while teaching he was a pastor of several small churches.

Mrs. Price is the daughter of Dr. W. R. Cooper, pastor of the Baptist church in Tylertown, and her brother, the Rev. William Lowrey Cooper, has been a missionary in Argentina for the last six years.

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RUDOLPH WEAVER

Rudolph Weaver, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Weaver of near Houston was fatally wounded October 6 while returning from a hunting trip. He was alone at the time of the accident and driving a tractor which had been used near the hunting grounds. It is believed the jar of the machine fired the fatal shot since the motor of the tractor was still running at full speed and the machine plunged against a stump.

The father, believing the tractor had failed to crank, returned to the hay field and discovered the tragedy. The boy died shortly in the hospital where he was rushed immediately.

Funeral services were conducted by the boy's pastor, Rev. W. C. Ballard of Wren, assisted by Rev. D. D. Satterwhite in the Houston Church.

Active pallbearers were members of his Sunday School class and flower girls were members of the Junior Class of Houston High School.

Rudolph united with the Arbor Grove church at the age of 15 and was an active church member. He will be missed not only in his home, church and school, but throughout Chickasaw County.

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the other three need one; all six need some additional adult leadership. . . . One Dr. Frank C. Laubach says, "The thing that will save us from the atomic bomb will be an atomic explosion of the spirit of God." True.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

November 24, 1946

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Wallerville	86	55
Yazoo City, Second	68	54
West Marks	32	
Kreole, First	80	47
Centreville	143	27
Brookhaven	594	132
Philadelphia, Lincoln County	65	50
Hepzibah, Jeff Davis County	113	46
Wellman, Lincoln County	76	69
Hebron, Yazoo County	74	74
Hattiesburg, Main Street	700	353
Natchez, West Side	122	53
Pascagoula, Unity	60	59
Pascagoula, First	586	150
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	40	
Tocowa, Panola County	39	25
Crystal Springs		
Walhalla County	85	90
Enon, Panola County	70	59
Center, Union County	109	70
Cross Roads, Webster County	83	
Tupelo, Harrisburg	234	89
Batesville	203	61
Crystal Springs	488	114
Liberty	193	36
Bryam, Hinds County	71	39
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha County	31	
Agricola	82	71
Louis	71	
Laurel, Beacon	206	109
Brooklyn	104	58
Houkka, Chickasaw County	64	29
New Albany	756	300
Newton	399	165
Jackson, Parkway	493	211
Jackson, First	1,160	425
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	458	300
Jackson, Calvary	1,316	342
Jackson, Calvary including Stone St. Mission	1,366	409
Jackson, Northside	249	98
Jackson, Southside	139	89
Daniel	206	72
Van Winkle	246	116
Antioch, Lawrence County	58	47
West Laurel	559	136
Laurel, First	559	99
Booheville	216	97

November 17, 1946

West Marks	19	
West Point	334	118
New Zion, Copiah County	74	28
West Corinth	165	126
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha County	61	
Cross Roads, Webster County	36	
Pascagoula, First	524	108
Pascagoula, Unity	67	56
Centreville	120	30

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

December 2—Byron Mathis, Perry County	Association	Sunday School Superintendent; R. E. Wascomb, Winston County Associational missionary.
December 3—Mrs. W. E. Walters, Clarke County	Association	W.M.U. Superintendent, District 6; Miss Belle Naul, member Speech and Arts faculty, Blue Mountain College.
December 4—Albert Sewell, Pontotoc County	Association	Sunday School Superintendent; Miss Irmogene Tucker, Secretary State Training Union Convention.
December 5—Mrs. Brackett, DeSoto County	Association	W.M.U. Superintendent, District 3; Oster Daniels, Yazoo County Associational B.T.U. Director.
December 6—Mrs. M. H. James, Tallahatchie County	Association	W.M.U. Superintendent, District 3; W. W. Gunn, Tallahatchie County Associational Sunday School Superintendent.
December 7—Rev. G. B. Basden, Prentiss County	Association	Sunday School Superintendent; J. J. Paschal, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.
December 8—C. R. Haire, Jackson County	Association	B.T.U. Director; P. L. Clements, Yalobusha County Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

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Pastor James Nolan Brister of Oil City Church, Yazoo County, evidently believes in the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan. He writes: "I have never doubted in my mind that it was a good thing to have the Baptist Record in every Baptist home, but I never realized that it was as important as I came in time to realize it to be. In recent days I have seen very definite evidence that informed Baptists are better workers for the Master."

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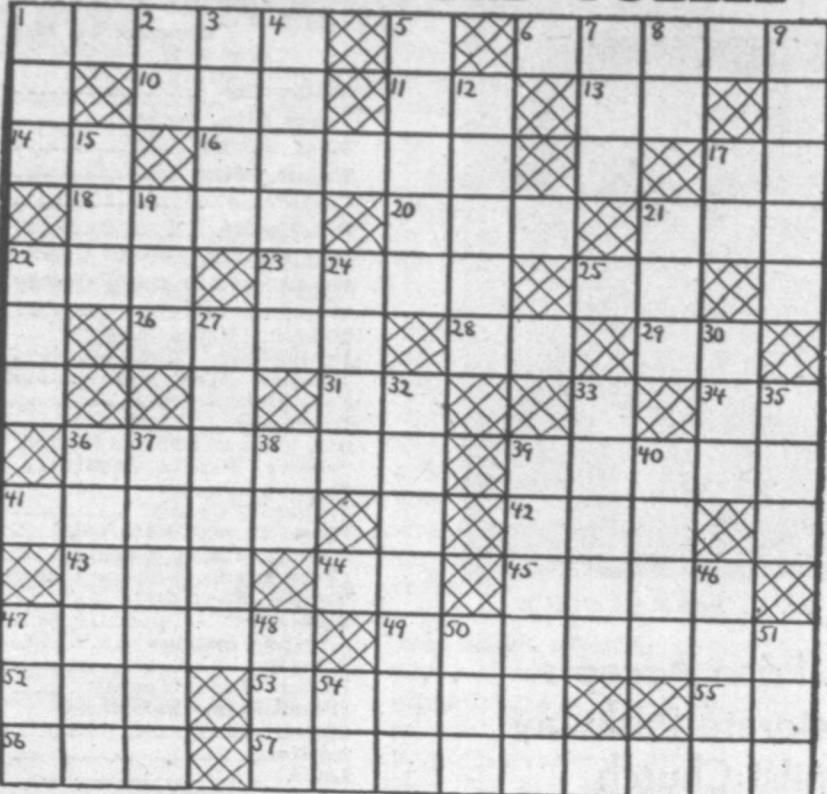
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ACROSS

- 1 "live, and move, and have our . . ."
- 6 "and the . . . shall make you free"
- 10 " . . . since by man came death"
- 11 " . . . of one born out of due time"
- 13 "ye are yet . . . your sins"
- 14 "and . . . shall be changed"
- 16 " . . . (which is to say, being interpreted, Master)"
- 17 Right Reverend
- 18 "the last . . . was made a quickening spirit"
- 20 "We shall not . . . sleep"
- 21 "not quickened, except it . . ."
- 22 "as rivers of water in a . . . place"
- 23 Evils
- 25 "last of all he was seen of . . . also"
- 26 "our guide . . . unto death"
- 28 "and . . . ye believed"
- 29 "it is raised . . . glory"
- 31 Two thirds of ten
- 34 "O death, where . . . thy sting?"
- 36 "how that . . . died for our sins"
- 39 "The last enemy that . . . be destroyed is death"
- 41 "and was not ashamed of my . . ."
- 42 Son of Bani; leu (anag.)
- 43 "put . . . enemies under his feet"
- 44 "And if Christ . . . not risen"
- 45 "The first man Adam was . . . a living soul"
- 47 Entrance
- 49 "whose . . . was the sea"
- 52 Past
- 53 "dead indeed unto sin, but . . . unto God"
- 55 "here have we . . . continuing city"
- 56 "in Christ, he is a . . . creature"
- 57 Begat

Our text from Corinthians is 10, 11, 13, 18, 20, 21, 26, 28, 29, 36, 39, 43, 44, 45 and 53 combined.

DOWN

- 1 "As I live saith the Lord, every knee shall . . . to me"
- 2 "And . . . Christ be not risen"
- 3 Feminine name
- 4 Weight
- 5 Sheepmaster who provoked David.
- 7 " . . . them out of the hand of the wicked"
- 8 Not, a prefix
- 9 Other name for Sinal
- 12 An eminent member of the early Christian Church
- 15 "men have not heard, nor perceived by the . . ."
- 17 New England state
- 19 Stain
- 21 The gods
- 22 Fifth son of Jacob
- 24 "The . . . are a people not strong"
- 27 Masterful
- 30 Nothing
- 32 Substance found in oil of wine; hire ten (anag.)
- 33 Inexpensive
- 35 Cunning
- 36 "Who will . . . our vile body"
- 37 "and . . . my sabbaths"
- 38 "for one star differeth from another star . . . glory"
- 39 "The harvest is past, the . . . is ended"
- 40 Operatic soprano
- 46 Bird
- 47 Masculine name
- 48 Label
- 50 Salutation
- 51 Fox
- 54 Football position

SPARKS & SPLINTERS

Dr. Frank C. Laubach has asked for the mobilization of 10,000,000 to pray for the United Nations. He said, "We mobilized 10,000,000 Americans to defeat Hitler; perhaps we can mobilize 10,000,000 Christians to defeat war itself. The thing that will save us from the atomic bomb will be an atomic explosion of the spirit of God."

The Hopewell Baptist Church in Copiah County had 30 members in the war, and only two were injured. The church has maintained interest in the boys in service.

His many Mississippi friends will rejoice to know that Dr. Wallace Rogers, pastor of the First Church, Pensacola, Florida, was recently elected as president of the Florida Baptist Convention. Dr. Rogers was formerly pastor of the First Church, Vicksburg.

A Cherub Choir, under the direction of Mrs. W. S. Thornton has been organized by Calvary Church, Jackson. This makes a total of four choirs for this church.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles A. Webb are the proud parents of a daughter, Mary Gay, born November 9. The Rev. Mr. Webb is pastor of Superior Avenue church, Bogalusa, La. He is a native of Mississippi and the son of Rev. H. H. Webb, Jackson.

89 "FM" stations are already in operation in the United States. Permits for over 600 other "FM" stations have already been granted. Hundreds of other applications for "FM" stations are on file with the Federal Communications Commission. Thus "FM" is rapidly becoming popular. Hence you will be wise to insist on your new radio having an "FM" as well as a standard band.—S. F. Lowe, Director, Radio Commission, S.B.C.

PHILADELPHIA—(RNS) — Inundated with requests for Bibles left over from surplus war materials, the War Assets Administration has acknowledged its supply is entirely exhausted. A few weeks ago Frank L. McNamee, regional director, casually remarked he had a million Bibles to dispose of, and only a few requests. Now it develops that WAA was swamped with requests for a total of more than 3,000,000 copies of the Scriptures.

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Bethany Baptist church in Sunflower county recently enjoyed a great revival in which there were 58 additions, 57 of them for baptism. Rev. John J. Galey, a student of the New Orleans Seminary, was the guest evangelist and Rev. J. O. Payne is pastor.

Deer Brook Baptists are asking all who will, churches, any organization or individuals, to send donations to help them in building a church. Make checks payable to Deer Brook Building Fund and send to Mrs. Wayne Eaves, Cliftonville, Miss.

Dr. Henry Alford Porter, leading Southern Baptist pastor for nearly a half century, died Friday, November 8, at his home in Virginia.

Rev. S. W. Valentine was the director of music and Rev. J. H. Cothen did the preaching in the recent revival at Southside Church, Jackson, in which there were 19 additions. Rev. Percy Cooper is pastor.—Ona Mae Dobbins, reporter.

Dr. Louie D. Newton has received information through the Russian Relief organization that there were 60,000 baptized in Russian Baptist churches during the summer.

The October report of Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention shows that Mississippi ranks 12th with total contributions amounting to \$41,507. Of this amount \$15,502 was for the Cooperative Program and \$24,846 was for World Relief.

Rev. E. T. Smith, native of Gloster, passed away on September 9 at his home in Amarillo, Texas. He was reared under the ministry of Dr. M. T. Martin and was the first evangelist sent out under Dr. T. T. Martin.

The Unity Baptist church at Pascagoula has installed Butane gas for heating the property. They plan to build needed Sunday school rooms and a baptistry within this year. Pastor Wallace Harrell and the people rejoice over the progress made.

Miss Ann Broyles, who has been serving as secretary of the First Baptist church in Gulfport for the past 18 months, has returned to St. Vrain, N. M. to visit relatives. Miss Broyles has not announced her plans regarding a new field of work.

Last week Rev. B. H. Benton held a Stewardship and Evangelism meeting in Poplarville. Pastor Judson Chastain reports that good results were evident along many lines. Many souls were turned to the Lord. Christians were revived, and people faced their responsibility as to personal stewardship and evangelistic obligations. Any pastor in Mississippi who avails himself of the services of this forceful, evangelistic preacher will find his church re-invigorated and re-dedicated to more active service than ever before.

Virginia Baptists elected E. V. Peyton, pastor of two-half-time churches as president of their state convention last week. Oklahoma Baptists elected R. C. Howard. California Baptists elected Hollis Burge.

Believing that open doors in foreign lands make an expanding world mission program imperative, the Mexican missionaries have agreed to give at least one day's income for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering and challenge the more than five million Southern Baptists to do likewise.



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Juniper Grove Shows Remarkable Gains

Juniper Grove Baptist church in Pearl River Association has just completed two years under the leadership of Pastor D. Wade Smith, in which remarkable progress is reported. There have been 127 additions, of which 65 came by baptism. The Sunday school increased from 42 present the first Sunday, to 213 on anniversary day. Attendance at prayer meeting has grown from six, to approximately 125. The B.T.U. has increased also. In the Sunday school, a young people's department, extension department, and extra classes have been started. Intermediate and Junior departments have been organized and rooms built to accommodate them. The church's

largest Vacation Bible School was held. A school for the Green Grove Negro church was also sponsored, in which there were 16 professions of faith. A Layman's Revival was held with good results.

The budget has been overpaid by approximately \$1,000 and gifts to the Cooperative Program increased. The pastor's salary has been raised. Two new pianos have been secured and plans are under way to get a Hammond organ. A music department, with a church music committee, has been set up and is functioning.

Juniper Grove was organized in 1858 with 36 members. The progressive spirit of the congregation promises a great future in Kingdom expansion.

Blue Mountain Schedules Religious Focus Week For December 1-6

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Nov. 21—For the first time since 1941, Religious Focus Week will be held at Blue Mountain December 1-6. Jean Yates, member of the junior class, is student chairman of a Committee of 70 who will have charge of all arrangements. Assisting with plans are Helen Bolt, student secretary, and Corrine Griffin, B.S.U. president. Fourteen outstanding workers among young people will be on the campus during this week to conduct the program. Dr. Frank Leavell, head of the department of Baptist student work of the Southern Baptist Convention, will lead the team of men and women.

The chief purpose of Focus Week is to strengthen spiritual life on the campus, to relate religion to all phases of life, and to stress its place in different college courses.

The following south-wide leaders in student work will form the team to conduct Focus Week at Blue Mountain: Rev. Carl Bates, Leesburg, Fla.; Dr. Frank H. Leavell, Nashville, Tenn.; Robert S. Denny, Associate student worker with the Southern Baptist Convention; Rev. Charles Knight, Glasgow, Ky.; Rev. E. N. Wilkinson, Lexington, Ky.; Miss Jenny Lind Gatlin, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. D. J. Evans, Ardelle Hallcock, Houston, Texas.

Lake Church Is Now Full Time

Lake Baptist church has gone to full time work. The accomplishments of the past year and a half encourage the people to attempt great things. The entire church property, including the house of worship and the pastor's home has been renovated and beautified, and butane gas added to the pastor's home. The Sunday school has attained the Standard and a lawn sign for the church was bought.

To the membership, 52 have been added, 37 of these by baptism. The offerings have tripled. Pastor Jackson attributes much of this progress to the 47 new tithees who dedicated themselves in the stewardship revival led by Dr. L. G. Gates last fall. The spirit of the church is progressive and the future is challenging them to higher goals.

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Candidates advocating the repeal of state prohibition in Oklahoma and Kansas were both soundly defeated.

Americus, Ga.

Other team members are Dr. Paul Caudill, Memphis, Tenn.; Dr. R. G. Lee, Memphis, Tenn.; Reiji Hoshiyake, Louisville, Ky.; Charles Horner, State B. S. U. secretary, Jackson; William Hall Preston, Nashville, Tenn.;

Convention Plans Temperance Move

Here's the background story of the action taken by the convention causing the convention board to be authorized to employ a full time Baptist temperance secretary:

President Norman W. Cox's opening address to the convention on Tuesday afternoon gave the momentum to the movement. Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Temperance Committee chairman added fire to the enthusiasm for action when he presented the committee report and the five recommendations of the committee proved to be the atomic power which threatens to blast the 1932 beer and wine act, not to mention the infamous 1944 black market tax law, off the statute books of the state.

The five recommendations which added fuel to the already blazing fire for action are:

(1) That we shall boldly declare to all candidates for office, county and state, that they will not get our vote unless they are dry, practically and theoretically.

(2) That we shall preach and practice prohibition from every hilltop possible in Mississippi.

(3) That we shall lend our prayers, aid and support to active temperance organizations that are working in Mississippi.

(4) That we declare ourselves unalterably opposed to the black market liquor law and urge its repeal at the earliest possible hour.

(5) That we earnestly recommend to the next session of the Legislature the repeal of the beer and wine law.

A resolution drafted by Mrs. O. B. Taylor, Mrs. D. C. Simmons and Mrs. W. F. Bond, all of Jackson, was offered and adopted by the convention. The resolution mentioned "all forms of liquor traffic and favoring repeal of the vicious black market law . . . expressing sympathy with and willingness to cooperate with other Christian women and men in their effort to secure better law enforcement . . . maintenance of high moral standards worthy of the Christian citizenship of our great state."



(Answer to crossword puzzle on page 14)

New Liberty Grows

The New Liberty church in Calhoun county is making good progress under Pastor S. E. Carter. The Superintendent of the Sunday school is J. D. Whittle, and excellent work is being promoted through his division of the work. In October they showed an average of 90 attending from an enrollment of 107, with collections reaching \$67.21, the State Mission offering being \$16.37. This school is only about one year old.

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GOING PLACES

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BETHEL-COPIAH COUNTY

Recently we had the privilege of preaching during the fall revival at Bethel Church.

Rev. M. P. Jones, who has been pastor for approximately ten years, had resigned the day before the meeting began, the resignation to take effect at the close of the meeting. This caused much lamenting among the Bethel saints. During the meeting the church voted to give Pastor Jones \$100 as an expression of their love.

The crowds were good and increased each night. There were four additions.

Bethel Church is a Baptist Record **EVERY FAMILY** Church and in addition to the 45 Records going to members of Bethel Church, other subscriptions are listed as follows: CARPENTER 25, COUNTY LINE 39, CRYSTAL SPRINGS 337, GALLMAN 27, GALILEE 31, Gatesville 7, HARMONY 52, GEORGETOWN 41, HAZLEHURST 112, HOPEWELL 30, NEW PROVIDENCE 23, NEW ZION 56, PINE BLUFF 34, Mission Hill 1, PILGRIM'S 22, PLEASANT HILL 32, POPLAR SPRINGS 18, ROCKPORT 3, SARDIS 33, SHADY GROVE 48, SPRING HILL 57, STRONG HOPE 52, WESSON 20, SMYRNA 23, Damascus 13, Antioch 17, SYLVARINA 43, PEARL VALLEY 32.

MAGNOLIA

While the pastor, Dr. B. Frank Smith, was elsewhere, we supplied at Magnolia, November 3.

Dr. Smith seems to be drawing good crowds. The house was well filled for the morning service and a good crowd was on hand Sunday night.

From the church bulletin we learned that October offerings were 44% more than for October, 1945.

Pike County's Baptist Record readers are now listed as follows: Bala Chitto 8, Central 19, EAST McCOMB 264, FERNWOOD 59, Friendship 27, HOLMESVILLE 33, McCOMB FIRST 491, MAGNOLIA 157, MT. ZION 64, OSYKA 83, Progress 2, SILVER CREEK 32, SOUTH SIDE 88, SUMMIT 105, TANGIPAHOA 78, Thompson 18, SILVER SPRINGS 61, TERRY'S CREEK 70, UNION 39, JOHNSTON STATION 38, Navilla 1.

FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON

Everybody seemed to have a good time at the Leadership Banquet of the First church, Jackson on Nov. 8. Harold Ingraham, business manager of the Sunday School Board was the featured speaker and he was never better. All the workers of the First church were invited and a few outside friends.

The purpose of the meeting was to honor those who lead the work in the various organizations of the church. First church now has approximately 500 in this group.

The pastor, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins was, according to his own words, roastermaster. Others having parts on the program were: Dr. Claud Bowen, Richard King, Jack Starkey, Craig Reynolds, R. N. Turnbow, Shelby Rogers, Miss Ruth Cooper, Mrs. W. Douglas Hudgins, Miss Hazel Chisolm, and Dr. D. A. McCall.

Hinds-Warren Association is now one of the leading Baptist Record associations in the state with subscribers listed as follows: BEULAH 47, DANIEL 71, BETHESDA 52, BOLTON 25, BYRAM 17, CALVARY 1.196, CHAPEL HILL 25, CLINTON 238, DA-

Oklahoma Governor Urges Use Of Radio As Sunday School Medium

CHICAGO (RNS) Governor Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma told delegates to the National Sunday School Association convention here that they must devote more attention to the radio as a Sunday school medium.

"I think the Christian churches should have the most attractive, the most appealing Sunday school radio hours that can be built on the foundation of their Christian convictions," he said.

Governor Kerr has been a Sunday school teacher himself for the past 23 years.

The Rev. Archer Anderson, president of the association of Sunday school teachers, told the same session that the elaborate publishing program of the association would be based on a

literal interpretation of the Bible.

The association was formed some months ago by fundamentalist Protestant clergy and teachers who thought the Federal Council of Churches and the International Council of Religious Education too liberal theologically.

A new Uniform Bible Lesson project, in preparation since 1943, was approved by the association at one of the final sessions. The lessons, which will be released to church publishers and writers in the near future, will not be available to the general public until January 1, 1948. The educational program was described as "prepared by evangelicals, built on evangelical principles, and thoroughly evangelical in plan and content."

Baptist Memorial Hospital To Pay Student Nurses Allowances

The Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee is to pay allowances to all student nurses it was announced by Dr. Frank S. Groner, superintendent. These allowances will be sufficient to take care of the personal needs of students while they are taking the course of study and is another step forward in the progress of the school.

The hospital at Memphis offers a great opportunity to enter the service of the Master to young ladies who are high school graduates. Every student who enrolls has a chance to grow not only in her professional knowledge

but also to develop spiritually. The hospital maintains a religious office, composed of a full time pastor, Dr. V. E. Boston, and a student secretary, Miss Mary Gresham. The activities which help to intensify the Spirit of Christ on the campus are guided by a Baptist Student Union, which embraces a Young Woman's Auxiliary.

High school graduates, between the ages of 17 and 32, who are interested in nursing as a career are requested to write to the Director of Nurses, Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee. The next class is to be enrolled in January.

VIS MEMORIAL 121, EDWARDS 35, GRIFFITH MEMORIAL 358, JACKSON FIRST 368, LEARNED 18, NORTHSIDE 197, Palestine 8, PARKWAY 412, POCOHONTAS 22, RAYMOND 62, SOUTHSIDE 68, UTICA 70, NEW HAVEN 30, MT. MORGAN 20, VAN WINKLE 117, TERRY 114, SALEM 30, SIWELL 37, MIDWAY 12, BOWMAR AVENUE 111, Vicksburg First 24, CALVARY 21, ANTIOCH 36, GRACE 15.

ATHENS IS NUMBER 830

Athens church, Simpson county has recently adopted the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan of the Baptist Record and becomes number 830 on the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EF plan.

The list was sent by Mrs. Ruth Toney, church treasurer.

In addition to the 29 Baptist Records which now go to members of the Athens church, other Simpson county subscribers are listed as follows: Antioch 11, BRAXTON 49, COATS 10, D'LO 68, FORK 40, Goodwater 8, HARRISVILLE 51, Jupiter 1, MAGEE 90, MENDEHALL 100, Mt. Zion 3, OAK GROVE 65, PALESTINE 23, Pine Grove 9, Dry Creek 7, PINOLA 51, PLEASANT HILL 40, PLEASANT VALLEY 36, Sanatorium 2, SHIVERS 34, SILOAM 18, STONEWALL 31, STRONG RIVER 31, Weathersby 5, MACEDONIA 57, Spring Hill 8, Beulah 3, NEW HOPE 39.

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Dr. A. A. Kitchings has accepted the pastorate of Shady Grove Church in Copiah County. Services will be held each Sunday morning with no night preaching services. Dr. Kitchings also serves the church at Bolton, where preaching services are held each Sunday night.

Dr. Wm. Potter, of Carthage, recently assisted Pastor R. Oliver Pittman

and the Levi Church, Memphis, in a revival. Results: Eight additions, four by baptism; two young men surrendered to the ministry; two young women dedicated their lives as foreign missionaries and a young couple surrendered as medical missionaries; 11 adults, including five deacons, surrendered anything and everything they had to the cause of Christ. One deacon, a salaried workingman, offered the Shelby County Baptist Association a new \$500 sound motion picture machine and the offer was accepted. Another deacon brought his full pay check to be used for foreign missions.

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New Jersey Baptists Ask State Dept. To Guarantee Religious Freedom

ASBURY PARK, N. J. —(RNS)— The State Department was called upon by the New Jersey Baptist Convention here to encourage complete religious freedom in all countries with which it enters into treaty agreements.

The Convention, meeting here for its 117th annual sessions, also urged the State Department to seek the "just administration of such laws as may be enacted to protect the rights of minority groups" in those countries.

Use of New Jersey tax funds to provide bus transportation for parochial school students was condemned in another resolution as a principle of the separation of church and state.

Also termed a breach of the church-state separation principle was the continued existence of a U.S. representative at the Vatican. President Truman was urged to recall Myron Taylor from this post.

We Need To Know Who Are Planning To Go To Copenhagen

Realizing the importance of affording our people all possible information with reference to transportation to Copenhagen and hotel accommodations while there, I have appointed a committee, composed of all Southwide Executives, all State Secretaries and all Editors of State Baptist Papers, to cooperate in this undertaking. The first meeting of this committee will be held in Nashville, Tuesday afternoon, December 10, 5 o'clock, in the Assembly Room of the Sunday School Board. The meeting is set at that place and time because of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Convention on Wednesday, December 11.

Meanwhile, it is very important that we know how many Southern Baptists would like to make the trip to the Seventh World Congress of the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen, July 29-August 3, 1947. Our committee is not trying to organize a party. We are simply trying to serve any and all who want to make the trip. I have official information from the shipping lines, indicating that it is going to be difficult, as best, to secure passage to Copenhagen, due to the delay in establishing normal sailings, plus the heavy demand for passage to Europe. Insofar as I am informed, every person among Southern Baptists planning to offer party tours to Copenhagen, is represented in our committee.

Please, therefore, write me immediately, at the Nashville address, given below, telling me that you hope to go to Copenhagen, and the response to this notice will be summarized at the meeting of our committee on December 10. This information will be very essential in presenting our case to the shipping lines. Until we know definitely how many want to go, we cannot make much headway with the steamship companies. Thanking you, on behalf of our committee, for your immediate response, I am

Fraternally Yours,
LOUIE D. NEWTON, President
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Dr. W. D. Hudgins To Lead Southern Alumni In Mississippi

Alumni of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, in their annual meeting at the Robert E. Lee Hotel during the Mississippi Baptist Convention, elected Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins as president for the coming year. Other officers elected are: Vice-president, Dr. G. Norman Price; secretary and treasurer, Dr. B. Frank Smith.

The featured address was delivered by Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of the Seminary faculty. His subject was, "Dr. John Richard Sampey."

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"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this. To visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27. Be ye doers of the Word and not hearers only. Remember the children of the Orphanage on Sunday, November 24th by making a liberal cash offering through your Sunday School or Church.

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